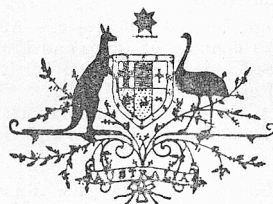


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Section 1.—Population and Vital Statistics.

AREA AND POPULATION.

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|-------------------------|--------------------|---|-----------|-----------|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------|---|
|                         |                    | Census—30th June, 1933.                                     |           |           | Estimated 30th September, 1940. |           |           | Population—Capital Cities, 31st Dec., 1939. |
|                         |                    | Males.  | Females.  | Persons.  | Males.                          | Females.  | Persons.  |   |
| N.S.W.                  | 309,433            | 1,318,471   | 1,282,376 | 2,600,847 | 1,405,468                       | 1,387,853 | 2,793,321 | 1,302,890                                   |
| Victoria                | 87,884             | 903,244   | 917,017   | 1,820,261 | 945,412                         | 965,541   | 1,910,953 | 1,046,750                                   |
| Q'land.                 | 670,500            | 497,217   | 450,317   | 947,534   | 531,925                         | 489,820   | 1,021,745 | 326,000                                     |
| S. Aust.                | 380,070            | 290,962   | 289,987   | 580,949   | 296,647                         | 299,103   | 595,750   | 322,990                                     |
| W. Aust.                | 975,920            | 233,937   | 204,915   | 438,852   | 243,719                         | 223,763   | 467,482   | 224,800                                     |
| Tasmania                | 26,215             | 115,097   | 112,502   | 227,599   | 119,871                         | 117,994   | 237,865   | 65,450                                      |
| N. Terr.                | 523,620            | 3,378   | 1,472     | 4,850     | 7,678                           | 2,601     | 10,279    | 2,250                                       |
| A.C.T. . .              | 939                | 4,805   | 4,142     | 8,947     | 6,967                           | 5,722     | 12,689    | 10,420                                      |
| Total ..                | 2,974,581          | 3,367,111   | 3,262,728 | 6,629,839 | 3,557,687                       | 3,492,397 | 7,050,084 | 3,301,550                                   |

ESTIMATED POPULATION, EXCLUSIVE OF FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINES.(a)

| 31st Dec. | New South Wales. | Victoria. | Queens-land. | South Australia. | Western Australia. | Tasmania. | Nor. Terr. | A. C. T.(b)(c) | Australia. |
|-----------|------------------|-----------|--------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------|------------|----------------|------------|
| 1900      | 1,360,305        | 1,196,213 | 493,847      | 357,250          | 179,967            | 172,900   | 4,857      | ..             | 3,765,339  |
| 1910      | 1,643,855        | 1,301,408 | 599,016      | 406,868          | 276,832            | 193,803   | 3,301      | ..             | 4,425,083  |
| 1920      | 2,091,722        | 1,527,909 | 750,624      | 491,006          | 331,323            | 212,752   | 3,989      | 1,972          | 5,411,297  |
| 1930      | 2,546,353        | 1,792,605 | 916,736      | 574,467          | 431,610            | 225,297   | 4,964      | 8,719          | 6,500,751  |
| 1935      | 2,657,666        | 1,843,023 | 970,719      | 586,443          | 447,745            | 233,108   | 5,091      | 9,319          | 6,763,114  |
| 1936      | 2,681,736        | 1,851,593 | 982,134      | 589,312          | 451,557            | 235,328   | 5,305      | 9,787          | 6,806,752  |
| 1937      | 2,710,738        | 1,859,487 | 993,461      | 591,201          | 457,111            | 238,990   | 5,354      | 10,248         | 6,866,590  |
| 1938      | 2,735,695        | 1,873,760 | 1,004,150    | 595,109          | 462,461            | 241,407   | 5,645      | 11,464         | 6,929,691  |
| 1939      | 2,770,348        | 1,887,278 | 1,015,927    | 597,045          | 465,916            | 241,576   | 6,973      | 12,263         | 6,997,326  |

ESTIMATED MEAN POPULATION, EXCLUSIVE OF FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINES.(a)

| Year. | New South Wales. | Victoria. | Queens-land. | South Australia. | Western Australia. | Tasmania. | Nor. Terr. | A. C. T.(b)(c) | Australia. |
|-------|------------------|-----------|--------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------|------------|----------------|------------|
| 1901  | 1,363,373        | 1,203,137 | 501,432      | 357,343          | 188,135            | 172,525   | 4,765      | ..             | 3,790,710  |
| 1910  | 1,632,990        | 1,282,477 | 591,591      | 397,700          | 271,019            | 191,005   | 3,403      | ..             | 4,370,185  |
| 1920  | 2,067,715        | 1,512,093 | 745,957      | 486,619          | 330,023            | 210,350   | 4,211      | 2,174          | 5,359,142  |
| 1930  | 2,532,289        | 1,786,217 | 910,319      | 573,242          | 429,079            | 220,933   | 4,979      | 8,961          | 6,466,019  |
| 1935  | 2,645,575        | 1,839,361 | 966,198      | 585,015          | 445,384            | 229,616   | 5,101      | 9,382          | 6,725,632  |
| 1936  | 2,667,839        | 1,847,665 | 978,589      | 587,549          | 450,036            | 231,046   | 5,255      | 9,765          | 6,777,744  |
| 1937  | 2,694,679        | 1,856,033 | 989,668      | 589,143          | 454,295            | 233,951   | 5,411      | 10,195         | 6,833,375  |
| 1938  | 2,721,196        | 1,867,818 | 1,000,749    | 592,579          | 459,977            | 235,678   | 5,726      | 11,124         | 6,894,847  |
| 1939— |                  |           |              |                  |                    |           |            |                |            |
| M.    | 1,385,329        | 929,500   | 529,928      | 298,033          | 244,451            | 120,799   | 4,321      | 6,533          | 3,518,894  |
| F.    | 1,363,805        | 952,442   | 483,399      | 298,104          | 220,591            | 117,202   | 1,952      | 5,457          | 3,442,952  |
| P.    | 2,749,134        | 1,881,942 | 1,013,327    | 596,137          | 465,042            | 238,001   | 6,273      | 11,990         | 6,961,846  |

(a) Adjusted in accordance with Census results. (b) Prior to 1911 part of New South Wales.  
(c) Revised estimates based on the results of the Census of the Australian Capital Territory on the 30th June, 1938, are as follows:—(i) 31st December—1935, 9,761; 1936, 10,406; 1937, 11,043; (ii) Mean—1935, 9,735; 1936, 10,295; 1937, 10,902.

## ESTIMATED INCREASE OF POPULATION.

| States and Territories. | 1935. | 1936. | 1937. | 1938. | 1939. | First nine months of — |       |
|-------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------------------------|-------|
|                         |       |       |       |       |       | 1939.                  | 1940. |

## NATURAL INCREASE (EXCESS OF BIRTHS OVER DEATHS).

|                     |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
|---------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| New South Wales     | 20,129 | 21,817 | 22,262 | 21,214 | 21,188 | 15,455 | 16,774 |
| Victoria.. ..       | 9,428  | 10,105 | 11,118 | 11,389 | 10,324 | 7,467  | 7,835  |
| Queensland ..       | 8,837  | 10,162 | 10,156 | 9,791  | 10,818 | 8,131  | 8,591  |
| South Australia ..  | 3,107  | 3,447  | 3,738  | 3,871  | 3,879  | 2,965  | 3,124  |
| Western Australia   | 4,001  | 4,249  | 4,544  | 4,907  | 4,700  | 3,478  | 3,504  |
| Tasmania ..         | 2,103  | 2,194  | 2,616  | 2,619  | 2,578  | 1,908  | 1,860  |
| Northern Territory  | 14     | 53     | 36     | 33     | 50     | 33     | 68     |
| Aust. Capital Terr. | 107    | 114    | 165    | 140    | 207    | 145    | 140    |
| Total ..            | 47,726 | 52,141 | 54,635 | 53,964 | 53,744 | 39,582 | 41,896 |

## NET IMMIGRATION (EXCESS OF IMMIGRATION OVER EMIGRATION).

|                     |        |        |        |       |        |        |        |
|---------------------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|
| New South Wales     | 1,334  | 2,253  | 6,740  | 3,743 | 13,465 | 3,447  | 6,199  |
| Victoria.. ..       | -3,895 | -1,535 | -3,224 | 2,884 | 3,194  | 3,382  | 15,840 |
| Queensland ..       | 2,385  | 1,253  | 1,171  | 898   | 959    | 5,970  | -2,773 |
| South Australia ..  | -958   | -578   | -1,849 | 37    | -1,943 | -962   | -4,419 |
| Western Australia   | 1,134  | -437   | 1,010  | 443   | -1,245 | 497    | -1,938 |
| Tasmania ..         | -442   | 26     | 1,046  | -202  | -2,409 | -6,440 | -5,571 |
| Northern Territory  | 133    | 161    | 13     | 258   | 1,278  | 1,150  | 3,238  |
| Aust. Cap. Terr.(a) | 20     | 354    | 296    | 1,076 | 592    | 582    | 286    |
| Total ..            | -289   | 1,497  | 5,203  | 9,137 | 13,891 | 7,626  | 10,862 |

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes excess of Emigration over Immigration.

## TOTAL ESTIMATED INCREASE.

|                     |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
|---------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| New South Wales     | 21,463 | 24,070 | 29,002 | 24,957 | 34,653 | 18,902 | 22,973 |
| Victoria.. ..       | 5,533  | 8,570  | 7,894  | 14,273 | 13,518 | 10,849 | 23,675 |
| Queensland ..       | 11,222 | 11,415 | 11,327 | 10,689 | 11,777 | 14,101 | 5,818  |
| South Australia ..  | 2,149  | 2,869  | 1,889  | 3,908  | 1,936  | 2,003  | -1,295 |
| Western Australia   | 5,135  | 3,812  | 5,554  | 5,350  | 3,455  | 3,975  | 1,566  |
| Tasmania ..         | 1,661  | 2,220  | 3,662  | 2,417  | 169    | -4,532 | -3,711 |
| Northern Territory  | 147    | 214    | 49     | 291    | 1,328  | 1,183  | 3,306  |
| Aust. Cap. Terr.(a) | 127    | 468    | 461    | 1,216  | 799    | 727    | 426    |
| Total ..            | 47,437 | 53,638 | 59,838 | 63,101 | 67,635 | 47,208 | 52,758 |

(a) Revised figures corrected in accordance with the results of the Census of the Australian Capital Territory on the 30th June, 1938, are as follows:—Net migration—1935, 197; 1936, 531; 1937, 472. Total increase—1935, 304; 1936, 645; 1937, 637.



## BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES.

Quarter ended 30th September, 1940.

| States and Territories. | Births. |          |        | Deaths. |          |        | Marriages. |
|-------------------------|---------|----------|--------|---------|----------|--------|------------|
|                         | Males.  | Females. | Total. | Males.  | Females. | Total. |            |
| New South Wales         | 6,500   | 6,158    | 12,658 | 4,357   | 3,205    | 7,562  | 7,903      |
| Victoria.. ..           | 4,124   | 3,941    | 8,065  | 3,376   | 2,774    | 6,150  | 5,896      |
| Queensland ..           | 2,848   | 2,639    | 5,487  | 1,610   | 1,007    | 2,617  | 2,662      |
| South Australia ..      | 1,290   | 1,281    | 2,571  | 903     | 723      | 1,626  | 1,924      |
| Western Australia       | 1,186   | 1,173    | 2,359  | 811     | 473      | 1,284  | 1,373      |
| Tasmania ..             | 690     | 670      | 1,360  | 405     | 282      | 687    | 607        |
| Northern Territory      | 32      | 18       | 50     | 23      | 4        | 27     | 50         |
| Aust. Cap. Terr...      | 41      | 36       | 77     | 19      | 8        | 27     | 41         |
| Total ..                | 16,711  | 15,916   | 32,627 | 11,504  | 8,476    | 19,980 | 20,456     |

| States and Territories. | 1935. | 1936. | 1937. | 1938. | 1939. | First nine months of— |       |
|-------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----------------------|-------|
|                         |       |       |       |       |       | 1939.                 | 1940. |

## BIRTHS—NUMBER.

|                    |         |         |         |         |         |        |        |
|--------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------|--------|
| New South Wales    | 44,676  | 46,193  | 47,497  | 47,319  | 48,003  | 36,171 | 36,690 |
| Victoria.. ..      | 27,884  | 28,883  | 29,731  | 30,344  | 30,493  | 22,817 | 23,253 |
| Queensland ..      | 17,688  | 18,755  | 19,162  | 18,992  | 20,348  | 15,513 | 15,609 |
| South Australia .. | 8,270   | 8,911   | 8,985   | 9,410   | 9,618   | 7,388  | 7,513  |
| Western Australia  | 8,119   | 8,479   | 8,609   | 9,141   | 9,036   | 6,876  | 6,844  |
| Tasmania ..        | 4,456   | 4,581   | 4,841   | 4,907   | 5,004   | 3,780  | 3,690  |
| Northern Territory | 84      | 113     | 99      | 102     | 138     | 98     | 134    |
| Aust. Cap. Terr... | 148     | 158     | 207     | 200     | 251     | 177    | 201    |
| Total ..           | 111,325 | 116,073 | 119,131 | 120,415 | 122,891 | 92,820 | 93,934 |

## BIRTH-RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.

|                    |       |       |       |       |       | (a)   | (a)   |
|--------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| New South Wales    | 16.89 | 17.31 | 17.63 | 17.39 | 17.46 | 17.56 | 17.60 |
| Victoria.. ..      | 15.16 | 15.63 | 16.02 | 16.25 | 16.20 | 16.18 | 16.32 |
| Queensland ..      | 18.31 | 19.17 | 19.36 | 18.98 | 20.08 | 20.44 | 20.41 |
| South Australia .. | 14.14 | 15.17 | 15.25 | 15.88 | 16.13 | 16.54 | 16.78 |
| Western Australia  | 18.23 | 18.84 | 18.95 | 19.87 | 19.43 | 19.73 | 19.54 |
| Tasmania ..        | 19.41 | 19.84 | 20.69 | 20.82 | 21.03 | 21.19 | 20.59 |
| Northern Territory | 16.47 | 21.50 | 18.30 | 17.81 | 22.00 | 21.71 | 22.84 |
| Aust. Cap. Terr... | 15.20 | 15.35 | 18.99 | 17.98 | 20.93 | 19.82 | 21.07 |
| Total ..           | 16.55 | 17.13 | 17.43 | 17.46 | 17.65 | 17.80 | 17.83 |

(a) Equivalent annual rate.

NOTE.—Birth, death and marriage rates for the Australian Capital Territory have been adjusted in accordance with the revised mean populations set out in the footnote to p. 3.



BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES—*continued.*

| States and Territories. | 1935. | 1936. | 1937. | 1938. | 1939. | First nine months of— |       |
|-------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----------------------|-------|
|                         |       |       |       |       |       | 1939.                 | 1940. |

## DEATHS—NUMBER.

|                    |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
|--------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| New South Wales    | 24,547 | 24,376 | 25,235 | 26,105 | 26,815 | 20,716 | 19,916 |
| Victoria.. ..      | 18,456 | 18,778 | 18,613 | 18,955 | 20,169 | 15,350 | 15,418 |
| Queensland ..      | 8,851  | 8,593  | 9,006  | 9,201  | 9,530  | 7,382  | 7,018  |
| South Australia .. | 5,163  | 5,464  | 5,247  | 5,539  | 5,739  | 4,423  | 4,389  |
| Western Australia  | 4,118  | 4,230  | 4,065  | 4,234  | 4,336  | 3,398  | 3,340  |
| Tasmania ..        | 2,353  | 2,387  | 2,225  | 2,288  | 2,426  | 1,872  | 1,830  |
| Northern Territory | 70     | 60     | 63     | 69     | 88     | 65     | 66     |
| Aust. Cap. Terr... | 41     | 44     | 42     | 60     | 44     | 32     | 61     |
| Total ..           | 63,599 | 63,932 | 64,496 | 66,451 | 69,147 | 53,238 | 52,038 |

## DEATH-RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.

|                    |       |       |       |       |       | (a)   | (a)   |
|--------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| New South Wales    | 9.28  | 9.14  | 9.36  | 9.59  | 9.75  | 10.06 | 9.55  |
| Victoria.. ..      | 10.03 | 10.16 | 10.03 | 10.15 | 10.72 | 10.88 | 10.82 |
| Queensland ..      | 9.16  | 8.78  | 9.10  | 9.19  | 9.40  | 9.72  | 9.18  |
| South Australia .. | 8.83  | 9.30  | 8.91  | 9.35  | 9.63  | 9.90  | 9.80  |
| Western Australia  | 9.25  | 9.40  | 8.95  | 9.20  | 9.32  | 9.75  | 9.54  |
| Tasmania ..        | 10.25 | 10.34 | 9.51  | 9.71  | 10.19 | 10.50 | 10.21 |
| Northern Territory | 13.72 | 11.42 | 11.64 | 12.05 | 14.03 | 14.42 | 11.23 |
| Aust. Cap. Terr... | 4.21  | 4.27  | 3.85  | 5.39  | 3.67  | 3.61  | 6.37  |
| Total ..           | 9.46  | 9.43  | 9.44  | 9.64  | 9.93  | 10.21 | 9.88  |

(a) Equivalent annual rate.

NOTE.—See footnote to p. 5.

## MARRIAGES—NUMBER.

|                    |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
|--------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| New South Wales    | 22,361 | 22,873 | 23,188 | 24,579 | 25,471 | 18,152 | 22,256 |
| Victoria.. ..      | 15,409 | 15,915 | 16,226 | 17,113 | 17,368 | 11,728 | 16,327 |
| Queensland ..      | 8,280  | 8,306  | 8,353  | 8,853  | 9,108  | 6,504  | 7,710  |
| South Australia .. | 4,845  | 5,182  | 5,340  | 5,489  | 5,670  | 3,979  | 5,092  |
| Western Australia  | 3,940  | 4,242  | 4,169  | 4,153  | 4,195  | 3,022  | 3,944  |
| Tasmania ..        | 1,875  | 2,073  | 2,042  | 2,082  | 2,264  | 1,526  | 1,877  |
| Northern Territory | 42     | 41     | 69     | 67     | 85     | 55     | 115    |
| Aust. Cap. Terr... | 74     | 77     | 61     | 75     | 88     | 58     | 93     |
| Total ..           | 56,826 | 58,709 | 59,448 | 62,411 | 64,249 | 45,024 | 57,414 |

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES—*continued.*

| States and Territories. | 1935. | 1936. | 1937. | 1938. | 1939. | First nine months of— |       |
|-------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----------------------|-------|
|                         |       |       |       |       |       | 1939.                 | 1940. |

## MARRIAGE-RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.

|                              |      |      |       |       |       | (a)   | (a)   |
|------------------------------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| New South Wales ..           | 8.45 | 8.57 | 8.61  | 9.03  | 9.27  | 8.82  | 10.67 |
| Victoria ..                  | 8.38 | 8.61 | 8.74  | 9.16  | 9.23  | 8.32  | 11.46 |
| Queensland ..                | 8.57 | 8.49 | 8.44  | 8.85  | 8.99  | 8.57  | 10.08 |
| South Australia ..           | 8.28 | 8.82 | 9.06  | 9.26  | 9.51  | 8.91  | 11.37 |
| Western Australia ..         | 8.85 | 9.43 | 9.18  | 9.03  | 9.02  | 8.67  | 11.26 |
| Tasmania ..                  | 8.17 | 8.98 | 8.73  | 8.83  | 9.51  | 8.56  | 10.47 |
| Northern Territory ..        | 8.23 | 7.80 | 12.75 | 11.70 | 13.55 | 12.10 | 19.52 |
| Australian Capital Territory | 7.60 | 7.48 | 5.60  | 6.74  | 7.34  | 6.47  | 9.75  |
| Total ..                     | 8.45 | 8.66 | 8.70  | 9.05  | 9.23  | 8.63  | 10.90 |

(a) Equivalent annual rate.

NOTE.—See footnote to p. 5.

## DEATHS OF CHILDREN UNDER 1 YEAR OF AGE.

|                              |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| New South Wales ..           | 1,762 | 2,008 | 1,932 | 1,980 | 1,969 | 1,491 | 1,402 |
| Victoria ..                  | 1,148 | 1,222 | 1,091 | 1,038 | 1,085 | 808   | 936   |
| Queensland ..                | 659   | 679   | 683   | 784   | 722   | 555   | 546   |
| South Australia ..           | 289   | 277   | 297   | 287   | 336   | 257   | 268   |
| Western Australia ..         | 326   | 358   | 323   | 309   | 369   | 279   | 261   |
| Tasmania ..                  | 231   | 227   | 202   | 197   | 203   | 149   | 139   |
| Northern Territory ..        | 7     | 3     | 3     | 6     | 8     | 5     | 8     |
| Australian Capital Territory | 7     | 4     | 3     | 8     | 6     | 4     | 3     |
| Total ..                     | 4,429 | 4,778 | 4,534 | 4,609 | 4,698 | 3,548 | 3,563 |

## INFANTILE MORTALITY—PER 1,000 BIRTHS.

|                              |       |       |       |       |       | (a)   | (a)   |
|------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| New South Wales ..           | 39.44 | 43.47 | 40.68 | 41.84 | 41.02 | 41.22 | 38.21 |
| Victoria ..                  | 41.17 | 42.31 | 36.70 | 34.21 | 35.58 | 35.41 | 40.25 |
| Queensland ..                | 37.26 | 36.20 | 35.64 | 41.28 | 35.48 | 35.78 | 34.98 |
| South Australia ..           | 34.95 | 31.09 | 33.06 | 30.50 | 34.93 | 34.79 | 35.67 |
| Western Australia ..         | 40.15 | 42.22 | 37.52 | 33.80 | 40.84 | 40.58 | 38.14 |
| Tasmania ..                  | 51.84 | 49.55 | 41.73 | 39.74 | 40.57 | 39.42 | 37.67 |
| Northern Territory ..        | 83.33 | 26.55 | 30.30 | 58.82 | 57.97 | 51.02 | 59.70 |
| Australian Capital Territory | 47.30 | 25.32 | 14.49 | 40.00 | 23.90 | 22.60 | 14.93 |
| Total ..                     | 39.78 | 41.16 | 38.06 | 38.26 | 38.23 | 38.22 | 37.93 |

(a) Equivalent annual rate.

## MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA.

Adjusted in accordance with the results of the 1933 Census.

| Year.      | Arrivals. |          |             | Departures. |          |             | Excess of<br>(a) over (b). |
|------------|-----------|----------|-------------|-------------|----------|-------------|----------------------------|
|            | Males.    | Females. | Persons.(a) | Males.      | Females. | Persons.(b) |                            |
| 1921-25 .. | 289,695   | 188,357  | 478,052     | 171,974     | 122,535  | 294,509     | 183,543                    |
| 1926-30 .. | 266,593   | 203,887  | 470,480     | 193,013     | 147,409  | 340,422     | 130,058                    |
| 1931-35 .. | 124,207   | 115,116  | 239,323     | 134,883     | 115,326  | 250,209     | (c)10,886                  |
| 1933 ..    | 24,457    | 23,335   | 47,792      | 25,053      | 22,525   | 47,578      | 214                        |
| 1934 ..    | 27,451    | 26,253   | 53,704      | 26,428      | 24,996   | 51,424      | 2,280                      |
| 1935 ..    | 27,676    | 27,740   | 55,416      | 28,182      | 27,523   | 55,705      | (c)289                     |
| 1936 ..    | 29,726    | 30,168   | 59,894      | 29,045      | 29,352   | 58,397      | 1,497                      |
| 1937 ..    | 35,123    | 34,679   | 69,802      | 32,161      | 32,438   | 64,599      | 5,203                      |
| 1938 ..    | 39,910    | 38,018   | 77,928      | 34,206      | 34,585   | 68,791      | 9,137                      |
| 1939 ..    | 37,719    | 37,366   | 75,085      | 31,491      | 29,703   | 61,194      | 13,891                     |
| 1940 ..    | 19,296    | 19,307   | 38,603      | 13,998      | 11,205   | 25,203      | 13,400                     |

(c) Excess of Departures over Arrivals.

## MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA.

ARRIVALS and DEPARTURES according to Nationality or Race of Persons  
who arrived or departed.

| Nationality or Race.            | Arrivals. |        | Departures. |        |
|---------------------------------|-----------|--------|-------------|--------|
|                                 | Year.     |        | Year.       |        |
|                                 | 1939.     | 1940.  | 1939.       | 1940.  |
| European—                       |           |        |             |        |
| British (a) (Native born) .. .. | 56,094    | 32,218 | 52,764      | 20,044 |
| Danish .. .. .                  | 97        | 59     | 70          | 53     |
| Dutch .. .. .                   | 456       | 688    | 328         | 551    |
| Finnish .. .. .                 | 37        | 9      | 42          | 12     |
| French .. .. .                  | 431       | 306    | 491         | 326    |
| German .. .. .                  | 5,583     | 262    | 712         | 126    |
| Greek .. .. .                   | 996       | 195    | 185         | 29     |
| Italian .. .. .                 | 2,460     | 691    | 563         | 192    |
| Norwegian .. .. .               | 38        | 28     | 46          | 16     |
| Russian .. .. .                 | 377       | 129    | 156         | 89     |
| Swedish .. .. .                 | 55        | 36     | 48          | 25     |
| Swiss .. .. .                   | 237       | 86     | 133         | 64     |
| American (U.S.) .. .. .         | 2,318     | 1,132  | 2,359       | 1,269  |
| Yugoslav .. .. .                | 499       | 162    | 202         | 66     |
| Polish .. .. .                  | 1,016     | 112    | 108         | 70     |
| Other .. .. .                   | 1,586     | 599    | 325         | 145    |
| Total European .. .. .          | 72,280    | 36,712 | 58,532      | 23,077 |
| Non-European—                   |           |        |             |        |
| Chinese .. .. .                 | 1,639     | 1,106  | 1,572       | 1,266  |
| Filipino .. .. .                | 21        | 22     | 9           | 23     |
| Japanese .. .. .                | 251       | 200    | 296         | 259    |
| Malay .. .. .                   | 6         | 16     | 9           | 24     |
| East Indian (b) .. .. .         | 11        | 11     | 31          | 18     |
| Indian (c) .. .. .              | 527       | 314    | 518         | 389    |
| Thai .. .. .                    | 3         | 43     | 3           | 20     |
| Syrian .. .. .                  | 77        | 3      | 23          | 7      |
| Other Asiatic .. .. .           | 120       | 37     | 47          | 10     |
| Papuan .. .. .                  | 56        | 55     | 50          | 57     |
| Polynesian, Melanesian .. .. .  | 35        | 61     | 66          | 31     |
| Other Non-European .. .. .      | 59        | 23     | 38          | 22     |
| Total Non-European .. .. .      | 2,805     | 1,891  | 2,662       | 2,126  |
| GRAND TOTAL .. .. .             | 75,085    | 38,603 | 61,194      | 25,203 |

(a) Including Maltese and Cypriote.

(b) Native of East Indies.

(c) Native of India.



## MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA.

ARRIVALS and DEPARTURES according to the Countries whence the Persons arrived or to which they departed.

| Country.                           | Arrivals.     |               | Departures.   |               |
|------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
|                                    | Year.         |               | Year.         |               |
|                                    | 1939.         | 1940.         | 1939.         | 1940.         |
| Great Britain .. .. .              | 16,559        | 4,832         | 11,662        | 980           |
| Canada .. .. .                     | 1,877         | 511           | 956           | 344           |
| Fiji .. .. .                       | 1,021         | 920           | 1,199         | 766           |
| Hong Kong .. .. .                  | 2,153         | 1,574         | 1,122         | 966           |
| India and Ceylon .. .. .           | 4,618         | 1,663         | 2,256         | 960           |
| New Zealand .. .. .                | 24,678        | 12,591        | 27,954        | 11,650        |
| Norfolk Island .. .. .             | 234           | 202           | 235           | 165           |
| Papua .. .. .                      | 1,055         | 1,007         | 1,270         | 1,253         |
| Solomon Islands .. .. .            | 256           | 300           | 307           | 189           |
| Straits Settlements .. .. .        | 2,419         | 2,837         | 2,452         | 2,183         |
| Territory of New Guinea .. .. .    | 2,254         | 1,618         | 1,744         | 1,387         |
| Union of South Africa .. .. .      | 1,228         | 687           | 1,143         | 280           |
| Other British Possessions .. .. .  | 624           | 381           | 465           | 369           |
| <b>Total, British Countries ..</b> | <b>58,976</b> | <b>29,123</b> | <b>52,765</b> | <b>21,492</b> |
| Egypt .. .. .                      | 1,583         | 458           | 275           | 112           |
| France .. .. .                     | 1,555         | 291           | 685           | 10            |
| Germany .. .. .                    | 222           | ..            | 75            | ..            |
| Italy .. .. .                      | 4,261         | 1,581         | 1,137         | 130           |
| Japan .. .. .                      | 651           | 421           | 516           | 332           |
| Netherlands East Indies .. .. .    | 1,977         | 1,319         | 754           | 737           |
| New Caledonia .. .. .              | 524           | 229           | 491           | 189           |
| Philippine Islands .. .. .         | 146           | 2,987         | 130           | 85            |
| South Sea Islands .. .. .          | 98            | 110           | 94            | 104           |
| United States of America .. .. .   | 4,192         | 1,437         | 3,363         | 1,547         |
| Other Foreign Countries .. .. .    | 900           | 647           | 909           | 465           |
| <b>Total, Foreign Countries ..</b> | <b>16,109</b> | <b>9,480</b>  | <b>8,429</b>  | <b>3,711</b>  |
| <b>GRAND TOTAL .. ..</b>           | <b>75,085</b> | <b>38,603</b> | <b>61,194</b> | <b>25,203</b> |



**Section II.—Production.**  
**PRINCIPAL CROPS—AUSTRALIA.**  
 AREA OF CROPS.

| Season.    | Grain.     |           |         | Hay.      | Sugar-cane. | Total Area of Crops. |
|------------|------------|-----------|---------|-----------|-------------|----------------------|
|            | Wheat.     | Oats.     | Maize.  |           |             |                      |
|            | Acres.     | Acres.    | Acres.  | Acres.    | Acres.      | Acres.               |
| 1934-35 .. | 12,544,178 | 1,561,553 | 294,981 | 3,178,173 | 322,457     | 20,428,799           |
| 1935-36 .. | 11,956,966 | 1,564,171 | 297,616 | 3,007,470 | 334,910     | 19,974,042           |
| 1936-37 .. | 12,316,862 | 1,524,861 | 317,710 | 3,100,876 | 359,107     | 20,602,595           |
| 1937-38 .. | 13,734,951 | 1,408,422 | 320,207 | 2,982,465 | 358,187     | 21,951,731           |
| 1938-39 .. | 14,346,380 | 1,784,205 | 324,146 | 3,250,260 | 368,429     | 23,509,034           |
| 1939-40 .. | 13,283,425 | (a)       | (a)     | (a)       | 374,653     | (a)                  |

TOTAL PRODUCTION.

| Season.    | Grain.      |            |           | Hay.      | Sugar-cane. | Cane Sugar. |
|------------|-------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-------------|
|            | Wheat.      | Oats.      | Maize.    |           |             |             |
|            | Bushels.    | Bushels.   | Bushels.  | Tons.     | Tons.       | Tons.       |
| 1934-35 .. | 133,393,232 | 16,906,022 | 8,100,827 | 3,810,708 | 4,498,804   | 640,589     |
| 1935-36 .. | 144,217,769 | 18,720,774 | 7,467,705 | 3,497,677 | 4,500,907   | 646,541     |
| 1936-37 .. | 151,389,952 | 16,662,279 | 7,246,383 | 3,447,647 | 5,445,740   | 782,834     |
| 1937-38 .. | 187,255,673 | 17,165,061 | 6,816,612 | 3,423,753 | 5,494,610   | 810,319     |
| 1938-39 .. | 155,368,621 | 15,554,735 | 7,056,642 | 3,321,161 | 5,678,894   | 823,086     |
| 1939-40 .. | 210,283,681 | (a)        | (a)       | (a)       | 6,313,369   | 928,667     |

AVERAGE YIELD PER ACRE.

|            | Bushels. | Bushels. | Bushels. | Tons. | Tons.(b) | Tons.(b) |
|------------|----------|----------|----------|-------|----------|----------|
| 1934-35 .. | 10.63    | 10.83    | 27.46    | 1.20  | 19.91    | 2.83     |
| 1935-36 .. | 12.06    | 11.97    | 25.09    | 1.16  | 18.84    | 2.71     |
| 1936-37 .. | 12.29    | 10.93    | 22.81    | 1.11  | 21.26    | 3.06     |
| 1937-38 .. | 13.63    | 12.19    | 21.29    | 1.15  | 21.48    | 3.17     |
| 1938-39 .. | 10.83    | 8.72     | 21.77    | 1.02  | 21.65    | 3.14     |
| 1939-40 .. | 15.83    | (a)      | (a)      | (a)   | 23.15    | 3.41     |

(a) Not yet available.

(b) Per acre of productive area.

AREA OF WHEAT.

| Season.    | N.S.W.    | Victoria. | Q'land. | S. Aust.  | W. Aust.  | Tas.   | A.C.T. | Australia. |
|------------|-----------|-----------|---------|-----------|-----------|--------|--------|------------|
|            | Acres.    | Acres.    | Acres.  | Acres.    | Acres.    | Acres. | Acres. | Acres.     |
| 1934-35    | 3,892,768 | 2,458,583 | 221,729 | 3,188,225 | 2,764,373 | 16,656 | 1,844  | 12,544,178 |
| 1935-36    | 3,851,373 | 2,323,753 | 239,631 | 2,989,490 | 2,540,696 | 10,404 | 1,619  | 11,956,966 |
| 1936-37    | 3,982,864 | 2,393,827 | 283,648 | 3,058,457 | 2,575,283 | 21,317 | 1,466  | 12,316,862 |
| 1937-38    | 4,464,664 | 2,686,057 | 372,935 | 3,161,739 | 3,026,420 | 21,081 | 2,055  | 13,734,951 |
| 1938-39    | 4,650,872 | 2,748,362 | 442,017 | 3,080,401 | 3,412,818 | 9,849  | 2,061  | 14,346,380 |
| 1939-40    | 4,380,595 | 2,827,417 | 360,459 | 2,734,595 | 2,970,411 | 7,500  | 2,448  | 13,283,425 |
| 1940-41(a) | 4,335,000 | 2,584,000 | 302,000 | 2,600,000 | 2,552,000 | 9,200  | 2,000  | 12,384,200 |

TOTAL PRODUCTION OF WHEAT.

| Season.  | N.S.W.     | Victoria.  | Q'land.   | S. Aust.   | W. Aust.   | Tasmania. | A.C.T.   | Australia.  |
|----------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|----------|-------------|
|          | Bushels.   | Bushels.   | Bushels.  | Bushels.   | Bushels.   | Bushels.  | Bushels. | Bushels.    |
| 1934-35  | 48,078,000 | 25,850,523 | 4,076,181 | 27,455,600 | 26,985,000 | 307,525   | 40,398   | 133,393,232 |
| 1935-36  | 48,822,000 | 37,552,062 | 2,690,316 | 31,615,744 | 23,315,417 | 186,014   | 36,216   | 144,217,769 |
| 1936-37  | 55,668,000 | 42,844,816 | 2,016,236 | 28,714,653 | 21,549,000 | 570,895   | 26,352   | 151,389,952 |
| 1937-38  | 55,104,000 | 48,173,191 | 3,749,443 | 43,423,423 | 36,224,800 | 526,007   | 49,809   | 187,255,673 |
| 1938-39  | 59,898,000 | 18,104,369 | 8,583,736 | 31,674,418 | 36,343,600 | 205,263   | 59,235   | 155,368,621 |
| 1939-40  | 76,552,000 | 45,054,592 | 6,585,000 | 41,071,696 | 40,861,000 | 114,000   | 45,393   | 210,283,681 |
| 1940-41a | 24,500,000 | 14,000,000 | 5,600,000 | 18,000,000 | 21,600,000 | 187,000   | 20,000   | 83,907,000  |

(a) Subject to revision.

## Principal Crops—Australia—continued.

## AVERAGE YIELD OF WHEAT PER ACRE.

| Season.  | N.S.W.   | Victoria. | Q'land.  | S. Aust. | W. Aust. | Tasmania. | A.C.T.   | Australia. |
|----------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|------------|
|          | Bushels. | Bushels.  | Bushels. | Bushels. | Bushels. | Bushels.  | Bushels. | Bushels.   |
| 1934-35  | 12.50    | 10.51     | 18.38    | 8.61     | 9.76     | 18.46     | 21.91    | 10.63      |
| 1935-36  | 12.68    | 16.16     | 11.23    | 10.58    | 9.18     | 17.89     | 22.37    | 12.06      |
| 1936-37  | 13.98    | 17.90     | 7.11     | 9.39     | 8.37     | 26.78     | 17.98    | 12.29      |
| 1937-38  | 12.34    | 17.93     | 10.05    | 13.74    | 11.97    | 24.95     | 24.24    | 13.63      |
| 1938-39  | 12.88    | 6.59      | 19.42    | 10.28    | 10.79    | 20.84     | 28.74    | 10.83      |
| 1939-40  | 17.48    | 15.93     | 18.27    | 15.02    | 13.76    | 15.20     | 18.54    | 15.83      |
| 1940-41a | 5.65     | 5.42      | 18.54    | 6.92     | 8.46     | 20.36     | 10.00    | 6.78       |

(a) Subject to revision.

## NUMBER OF PRINCIPAL LIVE STOCK.

| 31st Dec. | N.S.W.<br>(a) | Victoria.<br>(a) | Q'land. | S. Aust. | W. Aust. | Tasmania. | N. Terr. | A.C.T.<br>(a) | Australia. |
|-----------|---------------|------------------|---------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|---------------|------------|
|-----------|---------------|------------------|---------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|---------------|------------|

## SHEEP.

|       |            |            |            |           |            |           |        |         |             |
|-------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|--------|---------|-------------|
| 1934  | 53,327,000 | 16,783,631 | 21,574,182 | 7,884,919 | 11,107,156 | 2,038,450 | 23,356 | 219,848 | 113,048,037 |
| 1935  | 51,936,000 | 17,457,291 | 18,060,093 | 7,945,745 | 11,082,972 | 2,139,900 | 25,483 | 228,317 | 108,875,801 |
| 1936  | 53,166,010 | 17,663,103 | 20,011,749 | 7,905,112 | 9,007,535  | 2,233,655 | 11,162 | 244,378 | 110,242,704 |
| 1937  | 51,563,181 | 18,863,467 | 22,497,970 | 8,904,402 | 8,782,076  | 2,520,950 | 26,856 | 263,610 | 113,372,518 |
| 1938  | 48,876,663 | 17,007,352 | 23,158,569 | 9,936,586 | 9,177,531  | 2,025,690 | 29,001 | 245,540 | 111,057,832 |
| 1939b | 54,372,472 | 18,251,870 | 23,500,000 | 9,940,570 | 9,574,232  | 2,500,000 | 38,587 | 259,408 | 118,436,139 |

## CATTLE.

|       |           |           |           |         |         |         |         |        |            |
|-------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------|------------|
| 1934  | 3,482,831 | 2,085,080 | 6,052,641 | 346,470 | 911,940 | 261,588 | 899,679 | 8,433  | 14,048,671 |
| 1935  | 3,388,538 | 2,091,246 | 6,033,004 | 335,354 | 882,761 | 270,035 | 900,585 | 10,186 | 13,911,659 |
| 1936  | 3,288,169 | 2,005,759 | 5,950,572 | 328,013 | 792,608 | 261,597 | 855,398 | 9,856  | 13,491,872 |
| 1937  | 3,019,531 | 1,880,429 | 5,959,165 | 324,163 | 740,241 | 254,812 | 891,640 | 8,325  | 13,078,356 |
| 1938  | 2,811,884 | 1,697,295 | 6,097,089 | 318,897 | 767,680 | 262,407 | 899,472 | 7,057  | 12,861,781 |
| 1939b | 2,762,653 | 1,787,597 | 6,125,000 | 351,013 | 810,170 | (c)     | 922,581 | 5,879  | (c)        |

## HORSES.

|       |         |         |         |         |         |        |        |       |           |
|-------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------|--------|-------|-----------|
| 1934  | 534,853 | 357,877 | 447,804 | 193,765 | 161,636 | 30,662 | 35,094 | 1,067 | 1,767,758 |
| 1935  | 542,862 | 356,106 | 441,075 | 197,368 | 160,181 | 30,626 | 35,152 | 1,060 | 1,764,430 |
| 1936  | 545,829 | 357,158 | 440,568 | 200,870 | 155,177 | 30,971 | 31,056 | 1,121 | 1,762,750 |
| 1937  | 528,625 | 359,106 | 445,916 | 197,334 | 151,067 | 31,578 | 31,662 | 1,225 | 1,746,513 |
| 1938  | 531,355 | 343,828 | 444,521 | 195,834 | 143,674 | 30,458 | 33,191 | 1,195 | 1,724,056 |
| 1939b | 534,837 | 326,217 | 445,000 | 190,013 | 138,211 | (c)    | 32,721 | 1,241 | (c)       |

## PIGS.

|       |         |         |         |         |         |        |     |     |           |
|-------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------|-----|-----|-----------|
| 1934  | 397,535 | 265,006 | 269,873 | 86,297  | 97,997  | 40,291 | 626 | 649 | 1,158,274 |
| 1935  | 436,944 | 314,301 | 304,889 | 93,458  | 98,026  | 45,163 | 555 | 629 | 1,298,964 |
| 1936  | 390,780 | 318,673 | 290,855 | 85,048  | 76,451  | 40,021 | 470 | 454 | 1,202,752 |
| 1937  | 356,765 | 285,259 | 282,941 | 66,647  | 64,598  | 43,067 | 388 | 417 | 1,100,082 |
| 1938  | 377,344 | 252,462 | 325,326 | 71,292  | 82,922  | 45,317 | 355 | 573 | 1,155,591 |
| 1939b | 451,064 | 297,655 | 350,000 | 119,660 | 147,916 | (c)    | 483 | 601 | (c)       |

(a) At 31st March, year following.

(b) Subject to revision.

(c) Not yet available.

## WOOL (AS IN THE GREASE) PRODUCED.

| Season ended 30th June. | N.S.W.<br>(a) | Victoria.   | Q'land.     | S. Aust.    | W. Aust.<br>(b) | Tasmania.  | Nor. Terr. | Australia.    |
|-------------------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------|------------|------------|---------------|
|                         | lb.           | lb.         | lb.         | lb.         | lb.             | lb.        | lb.        | lb.           |
| 1935..                  | 496,876,887   | 156,761,979 | 174,088,413 | 77,790,933  | 95,836,161      | 14,035,000 | 35,000     | 1,015,424,373 |
| 1936..                  | 474,359,226   | 163,397,896 | 142,793,328 | 81,709,440  | 92,458,673      | 16,300,000 | 35,000     | 971,053,563   |
| 1937..                  | 505,275,065   | 163,048,510 | 153,766,368 | 76,604,296  | 69,935,210      | 14,067,000 | 35,000     | 982,881,449   |
| 1938..                  | 496,824,150   | 178,890,131 | 174,751,280 | 86,606,388  | 70,684,355      | 15,598,500 | 35,000     | 1,023,390,304 |
| 1939..                  | 439,049,939   | 165,829,182 | 179,458,539 | 102,888,121 | 73,802,143      | 17,519,000 | 35,000     | 983,581,974   |
| 1940(c)                 | 548,487,161   | 185,000,000 | 190,000,000 | 105,000,000 | 81,000,000      | 18,000,000 | 35,000     | 1,127,522,161 |

(a) Including Australian Capital Territory.

(b) For year ended previous 31st December.

(c) Subject to revision.

NOTE.—The production of wool for the 1940-41 season is estimated at 1,090 million lb. greasy.

## PRINCIPAL DAIRY PRODUCE.

| Year.      | N.S.W.      | Victoria.   | Q'land.     | S. Aust.   | W. Aust.   | Tas.       | A.C.T. | Australia.  |
|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|--------|-------------|
| BUTTER.    |             |             |             |            |            |            |        |             |
|            | lb.         | lb.         | lb.         | lb.        | lb.        | lb.        | lb.    | lb.         |
| 1934-35..  | 146,106,328 | 147,651,179 | 133,624,597 | 18,513,229 | 13,308,003 | 10,689,043 | 15,086 | 469,907,466 |
| 1935-36..  | 125,169,296 | 148,132,507 | 115,920,415 | 20,964,305 | 12,908,745 | 10,613,358 | 13,849 | 433,722,475 |
| 1936-37..  | 109,830,751 | 154,769,391 | 87,474,757  | 20,892,369 | 12,360,924 | 10,913,267 | 15,223 | 396,261,693 |
| 1937-38..  | 120,882,732 | 141,321,445 | 118,244,260 | 22,428,298 | 15,373,334 | 11,997,323 | 14,218 | 430,261,610 |
| 1938-39..  | 118,820,717 | 130,573,918 | 157,625,746 | 20,716,584 | 16,244,449 | 11,835,500 | 17,415 | 455,834,329 |
| 1939-40(a) | 116,019,857 | 166,733,642 | 142,796,649 | 22,677,890 | 15,991,069 | 11,698,467 | 15,507 | 475,933,081 |

## CHEESE.

|            |           |            |            |            |           |           |     |            |
|------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----|------------|
|            | lb.       | lb.        | lb.        | lb.        | lb.       | lb.       | lb. | lb.        |
| 1934-35..  | 8,445,468 | 10,095,139 | 12,192,383 | 6,649,661  | 643,571   | 1,948,963 | ..  | 39,975,185 |
| 1935-36..  | 7,356,203 | 10,973,804 | 9,149,283  | 8,103,663  | 866,482   | 2,150,281 | ..  | 38,598,716 |
| 1936-37..  | 7,417,040 | 13,350,124 | 7,789,890  | 12,164,819 | 1,012,139 | 2,994,227 | ..  | 44,728,839 |
| 1937-38..  | 8,004,873 | 16,466,038 | 11,963,445 | 15,516,879 | 885,418   | 3,770,189 | ..  | 56,606,842 |
| 1938-39..  | 7,485,907 | 19,554,061 | 15,768,543 | 18,457,598 | 980,254   | 3,399,626 | ..  | 65,645,989 |
| 1939-40(a) | (b)       | 24,199,047 | 13,847,677 | 20,796,342 | 1,051,896 | (b)       | ..  | 70,566,000 |

## BACON AND HAM.

|           |            |            |            |           |           |           |       |            |
|-----------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------|------------|
|           | lb.        | lb.        | lb.        | lb.       | lb.(c)    | lb.       | lb.   | lb.        |
| 1934-35.. | 19,667,619 | 16,334,018 | 21,751,444 | 6,497,111 | 4,730,504 | 2,022,717 | 1,250 | 71,004,668 |
| 1935-36.. | 22,057,458 | 18,165,168 | 23,198,346 | 6,783,216 | 5,465,098 | 1,984,722 | 1,170 | 77,655,178 |
| 1936-37.. | 22,069,860 | 17,571,792 | 20,229,728 | 7,573,620 | 4,098,448 | 2,132,464 | 1,151 | 73,677,063 |
| 1937-38.. | 21,374,691 | 16,696,404 | 19,607,223 | 6,196,378 | 4,010,446 | 2,454,528 | 520   | 70,340,190 |
| 1938-39.. | 26,418,687 | 16,510,137 | 19,021,752 | 5,987,363 | 4,242,083 | 2,273,601 | 340   | 74,453,963 |

(a) Subject to revision. (b) Not yet available. (c) Excluding Bacon and Ham cured in Western Australia from animals slaughtered in other States.

## QUANTITIES OF PRINCIPAL MINERALS PRODUCED—AUSTRALIA.

| Year.   | Gold.     | Black Coal. | Copper. | Pig-iron.<br>(a) | Lead.   | Silver.    | Tin.  | Zinc.   |
|---------|-----------|-------------|---------|------------------|---------|------------|-------|---------|
|         | Fine oz.  | Ton.        | Ton.    | Ton.             | Ton.    | Oz.        | Ton.  | Ton.    |
| 1933 .. | 830,332   | 9,091,976   | 12,347  | 336,246          | 223,479 | 10,902,594 | 2,499 | 114,684 |
| 1934 .. | 887,490   | 9,579,033   | 9,092   | 487,259          | 217,883 | 11,253,631 | 2,528 | 81,592  |
| 1935 .. | 914,736   | 10,887,954  | 12,529  | 698,493          | 229,211 | 11,982,385 | 3,126 | 122,359 |
| 1936 .. | 1,178,581 | 11,370,409  | 16,083  | 783,233          | 212,038 | 11,976,090 | 2,963 | 145,900 |
| 1937 .. | 1,381,135 | 12,074,274  | 19,789  | 913,406          | 240,036 | 13,778,080 | 3,099 | 146,740 |
| 1938 .. | 1,592,034 | 11,680,159  | 20,326  | 929,676          | 239,590 | 13,895,541 | 3,331 | 163,381 |
| 1939 .. | 1,645,697 | 13,535,206  | (b)     | 1,104,605        | (b)     | (b)        | (b)   | (b)     |
| 1940 .. | 1,643,064 | (b)         | (b)     | (b)              | (b)     | (b)        | (b)   | (b)     |

(a) Year ended June. (b) Not available for publication. (c) Subject to revision.

## VALUE(a) OF PRINCIPAL MINERALS PRODUCED.

| Year.   | N.S.W.  | Victoria. | Q'land.   | S. Aust. | W. Aust.   | Tasmania. | N. Terr.<br>(b) | Australia. |
|---------|---------|-----------|-----------|----------|------------|-----------|-----------------|------------|
| GOLD.   |         |           |           |          |            |           |                 |            |
|         | £       | £         | £         | £        | £          | £         | £               | £          |
| 1934 .. | 307,662 | 597,040   | 982,636   | 58,582   | 5,534,491  | 48,139    | 8,124           | 7,536,674  |
| 1935 .. | 439,140 | 768,401   | 904,755   | 64,109   | 5,677,323  | 73,143    | 44,458          | 7,971,334  |
| 1936 .. | 525,792 | 1,018,670 | 1,048,748 | 66,593   | 7,326,309  | 152,291   | 76,001          | 10,214,404 |
| 1937 .. | 595,855 | 1,266,507 | 1,104,760 | 60,372   | 8,688,921  | 176,130   | (c)100,462      | 11,993,007 |
| 1938 .. | 780,958 | 1,273,351 | 1,334,788 | 46,922   | 10,286,349 | 195,079   | (c)109,168      | 14,026,615 |
| 1939 .. | 848,985 | 1,533,899 | 1,428,593 | 38,895   | 11,796,085 | 192,596   | (c)163,414      | 16,002,472 |

## SILVER AND LEAD.

|         |           |     |           |     |        |         |        |           |
|---------|-----------|-----|-----------|-----|--------|---------|--------|-----------|
|         | £         | £   | £         | £   | £      | £       | £      | £         |
| 1934 .. | 2,199,823 | 370 | 671,255   | ..  | 7,199  | 43,850  | 11     | 2,922,508 |
| 1935 .. | 3,189,388 | 642 | 755,899   | ..  | 12,687 | 63,713  | ..     | 4,022,329 |
| 1936 .. | 3,820,785 | 525 | 899,101   | 357 | 14,001 | 215,449 | ..     | 4,950,218 |
| 1937 .. | 4,310,613 | 491 | 1,172,531 | 371 | 27,844 | 308,262 | (c)328 | 5,820,440 |
| 1938 .. | 3,520,465 | 647 | 926,614   | 70  | 29,477 | 267,773 | ..     | 4,745,046 |
| 1939(d) | ..        | ..  | ..        | ..  | ..     | ..      | ..     | ..        |

(a) With the exception of Gold, the values shown are those published by the Mines Department of the several States. Gold is valued in Australian currency. (b) Year ended 30th June. (c) Year ended December. (d) Not available for publication.



## Value of Principal Minerals Produced—continued.

| Year.   | N.S.W. | Victoria. | Q'land. | S. Aust. | W. Aust. | Tasmania. | N. Terr.<br>(a) | Aust.     |
|---------|--------|-----------|---------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|
| COPPER. |        |           |         |          |          |           |                 |           |
|         | £      | £         | £       | £        | £        | £         | £               | £         |
| 1933 .. | 26,775 | ..        | 105,031 | 2,923    | 1,132    | 395,286   | ..              | 531,152   |
| 1934 .. | 25,393 | ..        | 95,903  | 8,475    | ..       | 287,342   | ..              | 397,118   |
| 1935 .. | 30,071 | ..        | 101,489 | 11,065   | ..       | 464,007   | ..              | 606,632   |
| 1936 .. | 53,687 | ..        | 161,688 | 22,609   | 97       | 556,784   | 1,871           | 796,686   |
| 1937 .. | 72,406 | ..        | 308,968 | 21,620   | 986      | 759,332   | (b)55           | 1,163,367 |
| 1938 .. | 87,905 | ..        | 203,967 | 15,333   | 1,275    | 580,238   | (b)4,362        | 893,080   |
| 1939(c) | ..     | ..        | ..      | ..       | ..       | ..        | ..              | ..        |

|         |         |        |         |    |        |         |          |         |
|---------|---------|--------|---------|----|--------|---------|----------|---------|
| TIN.    |         |        |         |    |        |         |          |         |
| 1933 .. | 218,244 | 1,350  | 123,620 | .. | 4,557  | 190,041 | 2,519    | 540,331 |
| 1934 .. | 323,130 | 3,886  | 179,404 | .. | 6,765  | 219,246 | 9,566    | 746,997 |
| 1935 .. | 287,890 | 14,475 | 187,234 | .. | 8,829  | 258,919 | 6,036    | 763,383 |
| 1936 .. | 268,454 | 14,750 | 157,889 | .. | 6,882  | 206,656 | 4,176    | 658,807 |
| 1937 .. | 336,628 | 44,127 | 202,614 | .. | 12,421 | 260,673 | (b)7,205 | 863,668 |
| 1938 .. | 286,768 | 28,650 | 141,547 | .. | 7,421  | 244,037 | (b)3,205 | 711,028 |
| 1939(c) | ..      | ..     | ..      | .. | ..     | ..      | ..       | ..      |

|                         |           |         |           |    |         |        |    |           |
|-------------------------|-----------|---------|-----------|----|---------|--------|----|-----------|
| COAL (Black and Brown). |           |         |           |    |         |        |    |           |
| 1933 ..                 | 4,306,790 | 600,064 | 693,333   | .. | 289,806 | 85,848 | .. | 5,975,900 |
| 1934 ..                 | 4,541,923 | 479,605 | 752,303   | .. | 278,704 | 81,262 | .. | 6,133,797 |
| 1935 ..                 | 4,887,341 | 599,697 | 843,034   | .. | 318,013 | 89,204 | .. | 6,734,289 |
| 1936 ..                 | 5,126,850 | 577,749 | 858,732   | .. | 331,565 | 92,269 | .. | 6,987,165 |
| 1937 ..                 | 5,823,469 | 497,319 | 934,107   | .. | 340,444 | 66,883 | .. | 7,662,222 |
| 1938 ..                 | 5,603,842 | 539,822 | 958,884   | .. | 375,083 | 61,991 | .. | 7,539,622 |
| 1939(d)                 | 6,768,659 | 645,766 | 1,167,844 | .. | 362,811 | 74,460 | .. | 9,019,540 |

|               |            |           |           |           |            |           |            |            |
|---------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|
| ALL MINERALS. |            |           |           |           |            |           |            |            |
| 1933 ..       | 6,964,834  | 1,060,437 | 2,373,251 | 1,076,434 | 5,289,194  | 845,668   | 18,150     | 17,607,968 |
| 1934 ..       | 7,766,504  | 1,092,029 | 2,713,135 | 1,713,537 | 5,884,430  | 750,389   | 28,806     | 19,948,890 |
| 1935 ..       | 9,210,820  | 1,394,253 | 2,887,440 | 2,498,617 | 6,107,990  | 1,071,507 | 76,900     | 23,247,527 |
| 1936 ..       | 10,136,789 | 1,623,003 | 3,613,511 | 2,513,359 | 7,771,454  | 1,624,036 | 98,601     | 27,980,753 |
| 1937 ..       | 11,981,891 | 1,832,195 | 4,392,492 | 2,509,449 | 9,230,182  | 2,282,365 | (b)205,851 | 32,434,425 |
| 1938 ..       | 10,731,391 | 1,884,015 | 3,966,119 | 2,932,473 | 10,844,469 | 1,889,804 | (b)214,724 | 32,462,995 |
| 1939(d)       | 12,156,000 | 2,248,000 | 4,595,000 | 3,357,000 | 12,330,000 | 1,978,000 | (b)246,000 | 36,910,000 |

(a) Year ended 30th June. (b) Year ended December. (c) Not available for publication.  
(d) Subject to revision.

## ESTIMATED GROSS VALUE OF PRODUCTION—AUSTRALIA.

| Year.      | Agricultural. | Pastoral. | Dairy, Poultry and Bee-farming. | Forestry and Fisheries. | Mining. | Manufacturing.<br>(a) | Total.  |
|------------|---------------|-----------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|---------|-----------------------|---------|
| 1933-34 .. | £1,000.       | £1,000.   | £1,000.                         | £1,000.                 | £1,000. | £1,000.               | £1,000. |
| 1934-35 .. | 70,731        | 95,613    | 40,306                          | 9,605                   | 17,608  | 123,355               | 367,218 |
| 1935-36 .. | 68,587        | 74,556    | 44,763                          | 10,856                  | 19,949  | 137,638               | 356,349 |
| 1936-37 .. | 75,388        | 91,286    | 47,533                          | 11,424                  | 23,248  | 155,891               | 404,770 |
| 1937-38 .. | 91,403        | 105,499   | 49,886                          | 11,765                  | 27,381  | 170,811               | 466,745 |
| 1938-39 .. | 93,229        | 100,794   | 57,641                          | 14,755                  | 32,434  | 188,061               | 486,914 |
| 1939-40 .. | 76,851        | 84,895    | 60,404                          | 14,634                  | 32,463  | 195,746               | 464,993 |

(a) Net value. These amounts differ from those given in the following tables, owing to the inclusion in those tables of certain products which in this table are included with Dairy Farming and Forestry.

## MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—AUSTRALIA.

| Year.   | No. of Establishments. | Hands Employed.<br>(a) | Salaries and Wages Paid.<br>(b) | Value of Plant, Machinery, Land and Buildings. | Value of Materials Used. | Value of Production. | Value of Output. |
|---------|------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------|--|--------------------------|----------------------|------------------|
|         | No.                    | No.                    | £                               | £  | £                        | £                    | £                |
| 1933-34 | 23,297                 | 405,909                | 64,444,660                      | 227,745,934                                    | 189,827,264              | 129,091,915          | 330,134,060      |
| 1934-35 | 24,211                 | 449,598                | 72,824,549                      | 232,845,393                                    | 209,047,017              | 143,816,160          | 365,201,384      |
| 1935-36 | 24,894                 | 492,771                | 82,098,288                      | 239,840,993                                    | 238,974,797              | 162,437,363          | 414,688,455      |
| 1936-37 | 25,668                 | 523,948                | 90,123,132                      | 246,203,232                                    | 260,578,903              | 177,684,645          | 451,829,278      |
| 1937-38 | 26,395                 | 559,160                | 102,078,550                     | 257,998,600                                    | 287,243,412              | 196,488,024          | 498,779,141      |
| 1938-39 | 26,941                 | 565,106                | 106,743,062                     | 274,582,541                                    | 281,303,446              | 203,416,610          | 500,419,977      |

(a) Including Working Proprietors. (b) Exclusive of amounts drawn by working proprietors.



## MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—DETAILS FOR STATES.

| Particulars.                | N.S.W.      | Victoria.   | Q'land.    | S. Aust.   | W. Aust.   | Tas.       | Aust.       |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| 1937-38.                    |             |             |            |            |            |            |             |
| 1. Factories .. No.         | 9,097       | 9,241       | 3,063      | 1,980      | 2,066      | 948        | 26,395      |
| 2. Hands employed(a) .. £   | 224,861     | 201,793     | 52,119     | 44,084     | 23,133     | 13,170     | 559,160     |
| 3. Wages paid(b) .. £       | 42,209,875  | 34,960,911  | 10,170,800 | 8,043,160  | 4,401,443  | 2,292,361  | 102,078,550 |
| 4. Value of fuel used .. £  | 7,123,961   | 4,032,190   | 1,440,750  | 949,858    | 1,095,225  | 405,721    | 15,047,705  |
| 5. „ materials used ..      | 122,591,463 | 88,129,145  | 39,595,695 | 21,469,924 | 9,986,441  | 5,470,744  | 287,243,412 |
| 6. „ of production ..       | 85,168,133  | 64,839,390  | 18,602,958 | 13,820,155 | 8,562,294  | 5,445,094  | 196,488,024 |
| 7. „ of output of fact's .. | 214,883,557 | 157,050,725 | 59,639,403 | 36,239,937 | 19,643,960 | 11,321,559 | 498,779,141 |
| 8. „ land & buildings ..    | 54,471,643  | 40,339,541  | 11,982,620 | 8,379,334  | 6,471,367  | 2,989,509  | 124,634,014 |
| 9. „ plant & machinery ..   | 57,222,693  | 36,868,289  | 17,734,600 | 9,402,792  | 7,459,525  | 4,676,687  | 133,364,586 |

1938-39.

|                             |             |             |            |            |            |            |             |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| 1. Factories .. No.         | 9,464       | 9,250       | 3,087      | 2,067      | 2,129      | 944        | 26,941      |
| 2. Hands employed(a) .. £   | 228,781     | 201,831     | 54,110     | 43,371     | 23,211     | 13,802     | 565,106     |
| 3. Wages paid(b) .. £       | 44,606,497  | 36,026,542  | 10,887,229 | 8,169,350  | 4,573,558  | 2,479,886  | 106,743,062 |
| 4. Value of fuel used .. £  | 7,651,627   | 3,999,934   | 1,423,549  | 1,017,537  | 1,169,268  | 438,006    | 15,699,921  |
| 5. „ materials used ..      | 120,501,795 | 82,971,608  | 42,596,049 | 20,308,797 | 9,603,657  | 5,321,540  | 281,303,446 |
| 6. „ of production ..       | 90,265,891  | 65,996,069  | 19,301,475 | 13,678,930 | 8,775,586  | 5,398,659  | 203,416,610 |
| 7. „ of output of fact's .. | 218,419,313 | 152,967,611 | 63,321,073 | 35,005,264 | 19,548,511 | 11,158,205 | 500,419,977 |
| 8. „ land & buildings ..    | 57,353,625  | 42,026,245  | 12,299,089 | 8,710,700  | 6,813,653  | 3,717,102  | 130,920,414 |
| 9. „ plant & machinery ..   | 62,692,956  | 38,626,743  | 18,095,415 | 9,749,679  | 8,095,064  | 6,402,270  | 143,662,127 |

## PRELIMINARY DETAILS, AUSTRALIA, 1939-40.

|                          |             |             |   |    |    |    |   |             |
|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|---|----|----|----|---|-------------|
| Hands employed(a) No.    | 236,300     | 212,441     | } | .. | .. | .. | { | 585,470     |
| Wages paid(b) .. £       | 47,682,551  | 39,575,809  |   |    |    |    |   | 114,959,000 |
| Value of production ..   | 96,397,077  | 74,028,431  |   |    |    |    |   | 219,600,000 |
| „ of output of fact's .. | 239,323,065 | 174,304,401 |   |    |    |    |   | 550,600,000 |

(a) Includes working proprietors.

(b) Exclusive of amounts drawn by working proprietors.

## MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—VALUE OF PRODUCTION—AUSTRALIA.

| Class of Industry.   | 1935-36.    | 1936-37.    | 1937-38.    | 1938-39.    |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|  | £           | £           | £           | £           |
| I. Treatment of Non-metalliferous Mine and Quarry Products ..  | 3,826,059   | 4,179,984   | 4,850,039   | 5,146,151   |
| II. Bricks, Pottery, Glass, &c. ..                             | 4,163,879   | 4,686,428   | 5,437,312   | 5,571,757   |
| III. Chemicals, Dyes, Explosives, Paints, Oils and Grease ..   | 9,764,706   | 11,312,766  | 11,909,939  | 12,456,370  |
| IV. Industrial Metals, Machines, Implements and Conveyances .. | 45,302,857  | 52,744,592  | 60,143,682  | 62,434,973  |
| V. Precious Metals, Jewellery and Plate ..                     | 793,149     | 857,761     | 956,652     | 931,085     |
| VI. Textiles and Textile Goods ..                              | 9,594,475   | 9,828,156   | 10,262,066  | 10,917,765  |
| VII. Skins and Leather ..                                      | 3,067,796   | 3,117,433   | 3,001,056   | 3,182,881   |
| VIII. Clothing ..  | 14,014,913  | 14,625,535  | 15,867,392  | 16,551,031  |
| IX. Food, Drink and Tobacco ..                                 | 34,542,024  | 36,225,703  | 40,393,914  | 41,601,107  |
| X. Woodworking and Basketware ..                               | 7,494,826   | 8,374,617   | 9,312,921   | 9,460,742   |
| XI. Furniture, Bedding, &c. ..                                 | 3,519,107   | 3,815,257   | 4,270,599   | 4,200,035   |
| XII. Paper, Stationery, Printing, Book-binding, &c. ..         | 12,017,821  | 12,794,742  | 14,188,137  | 14,559,073  |
| XIII. Rubber ..  | 2,350,312   | 2,303,302   | 2,461,962   | 2,761,075   |
| XIV. Musical Instruments ..                                    | 132,473     | 137,594     | 144,403     | 136,432     |
| XV. Miscellaneous Products ..                                  | 1,865,749   | 1,917,630   | 2,180,438   | 2,097,998   |
| XVI. Heat, Light and Power ..                                  | 9,987,217   | 10,763,145  | 11,107,512  | 11,408,135  |
| Total ..   | 162,437,363 | 177,684,645 | 196,488,024 | 203,416,610 |

**MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Percentage of Each Item of Outlay on Value of Total Output, 1938-39.**

| Particulars.   | N.S.W. | Victoria. | Q'land. | S. Aust. | W. Aust. | Tas.   | Aust.  |
|--|--------|-----------|---------|----------|----------|--------|--------|
|  | %      | %         | %       | %        | %        | %      | %      |
| Wages(a) ..  | 20.42  | 23.55     | 17.19   | 23.34    | 23.40    | 22.22  | 21.33  |
| Fuel and Light ..  | 3.50   | 2.62      | 2.25    | 2.91     | 5.98     | 3.93   | 3.14   |
| Materials used ..  | 55.17  | 54.24     | 67.27   | 58.01    | 49.13    | 47.69  | 56.21  |
| Margin for profits and miscellaneous expenses and charges .. | 20.91  | 19.59     | 13.29   | 15.74    | 21.49    | 26.16  | 19.32  |
| Total output   | 100.00 | 100.00    | 100.00  | 100.00   | 100.00   | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| Per cent. of Wages on value of Production ..                 | 49.42  | 54.59     | 56.41   | 59.72    | 52.12    | 45.94  | 52.48  |

(a) Exclusive of amounts drawn by working proprietors.

**MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Average Amount of Salaries and Wages paid per Employee.(a)**

| Year.            | N.S.W. | Victoria. | Q'land. | S. Aust. | W. Aust. | Tas.   | Aust.  |
|------------------|--------|-----------|---------|----------|----------|--------|--------|
|                  | £      | £         | £       | £        | £        | £      | £      |
| 1935-36—Males .. | 212.35 | 198.85    | 221.90  | 193.56   | 212.76   | 190.86 | 206.55 |
| Females ..       | 91.30  | 93.58     | 85.80   | 80.70    | 86.84    | 85.33  | 91.19  |
| 1936-37—Males .. | 216.29 | 205.93    | 225.78  | 205.31   | 218.47   | 198.06 | 212.44 |
| Females ..       | 92.71  | 96.95     | 86.58   | 83.21    | 90.59    | 86.10  | 93.52  |
| 1937-38—Males .. | 230.39 | 218.89    | 232.20  | 212.08   | 227.42   | 205.96 | 224.35 |
| Females ..       | 99.41  | 103.62    | 91.25   | 85.65    | 93.36    | 91.26  | 99.69  |
| 1938-39—Males .. | 239.24 | 224.47    | 238.59  | 220.95   | 235.49   | 212.09 | 231.84 |
| Females ..       | 103.66 | 108.25    | 96.00   | 86.44    | 99.58    | 93.19  | 103.92 |

(a) Exclusive of working proprietors and amounts drawn by them.

**MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Average Number of Males and Females Employed, 1938-39.**

| Sex.              | N.S.W.  | Victoria. | Q'land. | S. Aust. | W. Aust. | Tas.   | Aust.   |
|-------------------|---------|-----------|---------|----------|----------|--------|---------|
| Males ..          | 167,172 | 136,218   | 43,941  | 35,406   | 18,704   | 11,150 | 412,591 |
| Females ..        | 61,609  | 65,613    | 10,169  | 7,965    | 4,507    | 2,652  | 152,515 |
| Masculinity(a) .. | 271     | 208       | 432     | 445      | 415      | 420    | 271     |

(a) Number of males per 100 females.

**Section III.—Shipping and Commerce.**

**SHIPPING.—NET TONNAGE ENTERED AND CLEARED.—AUSTRALIA.**

| Year.      | Tonnage Entered. |             |           | Tonnage Cleared. |             |           |
|------------|------------------|-------------|-----------|------------------|-------------|-----------|
|            | With Cargo.      | In Ballast. | Total.    | With Cargo.      | In Ballast. | Total.    |
| 1933-34 .. | 4,481,616        | 870,955     | 5,352,571 | 4,770,663        | 640,647     | 5,411,310 |
| 1934-35 .. | 4,846,060        | 1,148,190   | 5,994,250 | 5,340,159        | 554,635     | 5,894,794 |
| 1935-36 .. | 5,290,675        | 947,001     | 6,237,676 | 5,598,276        | 708,608     | 6,306,884 |
| 1936-37 .. | 5,440,911        | 833,279     | 6,274,190 | 5,611,826        | 725,755     | 6,337,581 |
| 1937-38 .. | 5,911,146        | 1,217,258   | 7,128,404 | 6,078,499        | 1,014,559   | 7,093,058 |
| 1938-39 .. | 5,964,039        | 746,960     | 6,710,999 | 5,989,521        | 845,192     | 6,834,713 |

Later figures not available for publication.

# OVERSEA AND INTERSTATE TONNAGE OF CARGO—Discharged and Shipped, States. ,000 omitted.

NOTE.—Cargo recorded by measurement has been converted to tons on the basis of 40 cubic feet = 1 ton. The figures in the measurement columns are not equivalent to those in the weight columns, but are additional.

| State or Territory.   | Discharged.      |                            |                  |                            | Shipped.         |                            |                  |                            |
|-----------------------|------------------|----------------------------|------------------|----------------------------|------------------|----------------------------|------------------|----------------------------|
|                       | Interstate.      |                            | Oversea.         |                            | Interstate.      |                            | Oversea.         |                            |
|                       | Tons—<br>Weight. | Tons—<br>Measure-<br>ment. | Tons—<br>Weight. | Tons—<br>Measure-<br>ment. | Tons—<br>Weight. | Tons—<br>Measure-<br>ment. | Tons—<br>Weight. | Tons—<br>Measure-<br>ment. |
| 1938-39.              |                  |                            |                  |                            |                  |                            |                  |                            |
| New South Wales ..    | 3,167            | 676                        | 1,179            | 1,112                      | 2,736            | 672                        | 1,679            | 359                        |
| Victoria ..           | 2,283            | 251                        | 1,465            | 609                        | 867              | 256                        | 589              | 270                        |
| Queensland ..         | 325              | 396                        | 340              | 176                        | 317              | 152                        | 864              | 64                         |
| South Australia ..    | 853              | 223                        | 497              | 184                        | 2,630            | 260                        | 1,171            | 91                         |
| Western Australia ..  | 158              | 175                        | 647              | 94                         | 55               | 65                         | 708              | 175                        |
| Tasmania ..           | 285              | 259                        | 78               | 13                         | 614              | 324                        | 67               | 134                        |
| Northern Territory .. | 3                | 23                         | 2                | 3                          | 2                | 2                          | ..               | ..                         |
| Total ..              | 7,074            | 2,003                      | 4,208            | 2,191                      | 7,221            | 1,731                      | 5,138            | 1,093                      |
| Total 1937-38 ..      | 6,909            | 2,114                      | 4,366            | 2,280                      | 7,032            | 1,877                      | 5,731            | 1,088                      |
| " 1936-37 ..          | 6,416            | 1,830                      | 3,656            | 2,024                      | 6,501            | 1,597                      | 5,028            | 933                        |
| " 1935-36 ..          | 5,241            | 1,964                      | 3,532            | 1,949                      | 5,541            | 1,503                      | 5,214            | 894                        |
| " 1934-35 ..          | 5,070            | 1,656                      | 2,970            | 1,722                      | 5,244            | 1,346                      | 5,221            | 858                        |

Later figures not available for publication.

## OVERSEA SHIPPING FREIGHT RATES FROM AUSTRALIA TO THE UNITED KINGDOM AND CONTINENT AT 31st DECEMBER, 1940.

These rates (except those marked with an asterisk) are subject to a "war-time risk" surcharge of 15 per cent.

(Subject to adjustment on account of exchange when freight prepaid in Australia—18 per cent. on refrigerated cargo rates and 25 per cent. on other cargo rates.)

(40 Cubic Feet = 1 Ton Measurement.)

### FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, EXCLUDING LIVE ANIMALS—

|  |    |    |    |                            |
|--|----|----|----|----------------------------|
| Butter (Refrigerator) ..                         | .. | .. | .. | 5s. 8d. per box (56 lb.).  |
| Cheese (Refrigerator) ..                         | .. | .. | .. | 1½d. per lb.               |
| Eggs (in shell) ..                               | .. | .. | .. | 168s. per ton measurement. |
| Meats, Preserved by Cold Process (Refrigerator)— |    |    |    |                            |
| Beef ..  | .. | .. | .. | 1½d. per lb.               |
| Lamb ..  | .. | .. | .. | 1½d. per lb.               |
| Mutton ..  | .. | .. | .. | 1½d. per lb.               |
| Rabbits and Hares ..                             | .. | .. | .. | 122s. per ton measurement. |
| Preserved in tins ..                             | .. | .. | .. | 107s. per ton measurement. |
| Sausage Casings (dried in casks or cases) ..     | .. | .. | .. | 107s. per ton measurement. |
| Milk and Cream (condensed) ..                    | .. | .. | .. | 107s. per ton measurement. |

### FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN—

|  |    |    |    |                            |
|--|----|----|----|----------------------------|
| *Sugar ..                              | .. | .. | .. | 153s. per ton weight.      |
| Jams ..                                | .. | .. | .. | 85s. per ton measurement.  |
| Jellies ..                             | .. | .. | .. | 107s. per ton measurement. |
| Dried Fruits ..                        | .. | .. | .. | 85s. per ton measurement.  |
| Fruits, Fresh—Apples (Refrigerator) .. | .. | .. | .. | 6s. per bushel case.       |
| Oranges (bushel cases) ..              | .. | .. | .. | 6s. per bushel case.       |
| *Wheat, Unprepared, Parcels ..         | .. | .. | .. | 135s. 6d. per ton weight.  |
| *Barley, Unprepared ..                 | .. | .. | .. | 150s. 9d. per ton weight.  |
| *Oats, Unprepared ..                   | .. | .. | .. | 160s. per ton weight.      |
| *Maize, Unprepared ..                  | .. | .. | .. | 149s. per ton weight.      |
| *Flour, Wheat ..                       | .. | .. | .. | 145s. 6d. per ton weight.  |
| *Bran ..                               | .. | .. | .. | 164s. per ton weight.      |
| *Pollard ..                            | .. | .. | .. | 155s. per ton weight.      |
| *Rice (clean, husked) ..               | .. | .. | .. | 155s. per ton weight.      |
| WINE ..                                | .. | .. | .. | 107s. per ton measurement. |

### ANIMAL SUBSTANCES (MAINLY MANUFACTURED), NOT FOODSTUFFS—

|                         |    |    |    |                            |
|-------------------------|----|----|----|----------------------------|
| Hides and Skins—Calf .. | .. | .. | .. | ½d. per lb.                |
| Cattle ..               | .. | .. | .. | ..                         |
| Sheep ..                | .. | .. | .. | 1½d. per lb.               |
| Rabbit ..               | .. | .. | .. | 2½d. per lb.               |
| Other ..                | .. | .. | .. | 2½d. per lb.               |
| Pearl-shell ..          | .. | .. | .. | 107s. per ton measurement. |
| Wool—Greasy ..          | .. | .. | .. | 1½d. per lb.               |
| Scoured and Washed ..   | .. | .. | .. | ..                         |
| Tops ..                 | .. | .. | .. | 2½d. per lb.               |

### VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES—

|                            |    |    |    |                                |
|----------------------------|----|----|----|--------------------------------|
| Compressed Fodder ..       | .. | .. | .. | 107s. per ton measurement.     |
| Bark, Tanning (Chopped) .. | .. | .. | .. | 107s. per ton weight.          |
| (Ground) ..                | .. | .. | .. | 80s. 3d. per ton weight.       |
| Copra ..                   | .. | .. | .. | 104s. 3d. per ton measurement. |
| Sandalwood ..              | .. | .. | .. | 107s. per ton measurement.     |
| Raw Cotton (in bales) ..   | .. | .. | .. | 1½d. per lb.                   |



**Oversea Shipping Freight Rates from Australia to the United Kingdom and  
Continent at 31st December, 1940—continued.**

**(40 Cubic Feet = 1 Ton Measurement.)**

|   |                      |                      |  |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|--|
| <b>APPAREL, TEXTILES, AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES—</b>                                |                      |                      |  |
| Apparel and Attire .. .. .  | 107s.                | per ton measurement. |  |
| Binder Twine .. .. .  | 187s.                | per ton weight.      |  |
| <b>OILS, FATS, AND WAXES—</b>   |                      |                      |  |
| Oils, Eucalyptus .. .. .  | 107s.                | per ton measurement. |  |
| Other .. .. .   | 120s. 3d.            | per ton weight.      |  |
| Tallow, Unrefined .. .. .   | 120s. 3d.            | per ton weight.      |  |
| <b>PAINTS AND VARNISHES .. .. .</b>   |                      |                      |  |
| 107s.   | per ton measurement. |                      |  |
| <b>ORES AND METALS, UNMANUFACTURED OR PARTLY MANUFACTURED—</b>                    |                      |                      |  |
| Ore (in casks) .. .. .  | 126s.                | per ton weight.      |  |
| Zinc, Parcels, up to 100 tons .. .. .   | 56s.                 | per ton weight.      |  |
| Dust (in cases) .. .. .   | 252s.                | per ton weight.      |  |
| Sheet (in cases) .. .. .  | 110s.                | per ton weight.      |  |
| Copper, Parcels, up to 100 tons .. .. .   | 60s.                 | per ton weight.      |  |
| Lead, Parcels, up to 100 tons .. .. .   | 55s.                 | per ton weight.      |  |
| *Steel, Billets (up to 20 ft.) .. .. .  | 111s.                | per ton weight.      |  |
| * " (over 20 and up to 30 ft.) .. .. .  | 127s.                | per ton weight.      |  |
| Tyres .. .. .   | 94s. 6d.             | per ton weight.      |  |
| Tin, Clippings in Ingot form .. .. .  | 36s. 6d.             | per ton weight.      |  |
| <b>RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF, AND<br/>SUBSTITUTES THEREFOR—</b> |                      |                      |  |
| Rubber .. .. .  | 96s. 6d.             | per ton measurement. |  |
| Leather .. .. .   | 234s. 3d.            | per ton weight.      |  |
| <b>WOOD, RAW AND MANUFACTURED—</b>  |                      |                      |  |
| Timber, Logs up to 40 ft. lengths .. .. .   | 40s.                 | per 100 super. feet. |  |
| " over 40 and up to 50 ft. lengths .. .. .  | 43s.                 | per 100 super. feet. |  |
| " over 50 and up to 60 ft. lengths .. .. .  | 46s. 3d.             | per 100 super. feet. |  |
| Sawn, Undressed, up to 30 ft. lengths .. .. .                                     | 23s. 6d.             | per 100 super. feet. |  |
| <b>EARTHENWARE, CEMENTS, CHINA AND GLASS .. .. .</b>                              |                      |                      |  |
| 107s.   | per ton measurement. |                      |  |
| <b>STATIONERY .. .. .</b>   |                      |                      |  |
| 107s.   | per ton measurement. |                      |  |
| <b>DRUGS, CHEMICALS, AND FERTILIZERS—</b>   |                      |                      |  |
| Fertilizers .. .. .   | 107s.                | per ton measurement. |  |
| <b>MISCELLANEOUS—</b>   |                      |                      |  |
| Soap .. .. .  | 107s.                | per ton measurement. |  |
| Casein .. .. .  | 168s. 3d.            | per ton measurement. |  |
| SPECIAL .. .. .   | 25s.                 | per cent.            |  |

**INTERSTATE, NEW ZEALAND AND ISLANDS' SHIPPING FREIGHT RATES,  
GENERAL CARGO, 31st DECEMBER, 1940.**

Interstate rates are subject to a "war-time risk" surcharge of 15 per cent.

**(Per Ton Weight or Measurement : 1 Ton Meas. = 40 Cubic Feet.)**

| To—  | From—     |         |            |
|--|-----------|---------|------------|
|  | Brisbane. | Sydney. | Melbourne. |
|  | s. d.     | s. d.   | s. d.      |
| Brisbane .. .. .   | 21 0      | 21 0    | 20 0       |
| Sydney .. .. .   | 30 0      | 20 0    | 20 0       |
| Melbourne .. .. .  | 38 0      | 30 0    | 20 0       |
| Adelaide .. .. .   |           |         |            |
| Fremantle .. .. .  | 48 0a     | 43 0    | 38 0       |
| Hobart .. .. .   | 54 6b     |         |            |
| Launceston .. .. .   | 44 6c     | 20 0    | 20 0       |
|  | 39 0a     |         |            |
|  | 40 6c     | 20 0    | 18 0       |
|  | 34 0a     |         |            |
| Devonport .. .. .  | 40 6c     | 20 0    | 18 0       |
| Burnie .. .. .   | 34 0a     |         |            |
| Auckland .. .. .   |           | 42 4    | 42 4       |
| Wellington .. .. .   |           | 42 4d   | 72 10b     |
| Lyttleton .. .. .  |           | 42 4    | 42 4d      |
| Dunedin .. .. .  |           | 75 1f   | 72 10e     |
|  |           | 42 4    | 42 4       |
|  |           | 75 1f   | 75 1f      |
|  |           | 75 1f   | 75 1f      |
| New Hebrides, Solomon Islands (British), and Territory of<br>New Guinea (Rabaul) .. .. . | 72 0      | 72 0    | 99 0       |
| Norfolk Island .. .. .   |           | 55 0    | 82 0       |
| Papua .. .. .  |           | 72 0    | 99 0       |

(a) Direct.

(b) Transhipped at Sydney.

(c) Including transshipment.

(d) Plus Wellington Harbour Improvement charges, 1s.

(e) Transhipped at Sydney, plus 1s., Wellington Harbour Improvement charges.

(f) Transhipped at Wellington, plus 1s., Wellington Harbour Improvement charges.



## COMMERCE—VALUE OF DIRECT OVERSEA IMPORTS.

BRITISH CURRENCY VALUES.

| States and Territories.    | 1935-36.   | 1936-37.   | 1937-38.    | 1938-39.    | 1939-40.(a) |
|----------------------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|                            | £          | £          | £           | £           | £           |
| New South Wales .. .. .    | 36,230,461 | 40,955,861 | 51,062,364  | 46,347,953  | (b)         |
| Victoria .. .. .           | 30,616,131 | 32,593,726 | 39,222,998  | 35,455,336  |             |
| Queensland .. .. .         | 6,897,783  | 6,904,102  | 8,237,506   | 7,955,818   |             |
| South Australia .. .. .    | 5,419,732  | 5,438,429  | 7,473,802   | 5,851,043   |             |
| Western Australia .. .. .  | 5,077,847  | 5,657,562  | 6,394,342   | 5,383,710   |             |
| Tasmania .. .. .           | 997,283    | 1,032,662  | 1,539,345   | 1,133,086   |             |
| Northern Territory .. .. . | 13,221     | 58,120     | 44,703      | 29,406      |             |
| Total .. .. .              | 85,252,458 | 92,640,462 | 113,975,060 | 102,156,352 | 115,675,505 |

## VALUE OF DIRECT OVERSEA EXPORTS.(c)

AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY VALUES.

| States and Territories.    | 1935-36.    | 1936-37.    | 1937-38.    | 1938-39.    | 1939-40.(a) |
|----------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|                            | £           | £           | £           | £           | £           |
| New South Wales .. .. .    | 47,532,200  | 57,302,512  | 48,411,644  | 45,903,080  | (b)         |
| Victoria .. .. .           | 34,982,544  | 43,587,646  | 41,243,667  | 30,819,012  |             |
| Queensland .. .. .         | 19,561,820  | 23,893,265  | 26,558,516  | 28,651,842  |             |
| South Australia .. .. .    | 15,381,124  | 16,748,140  | 19,057,243  | 14,840,603  |             |
| Western Australia .. .. .  | 16,511,724  | 17,295,787  | 19,471,792  | 17,070,499  |             |
| Tasmania .. .. .           | 2,952,145   | 3,522,789   | 2,831,205   | 3,198,547   |             |
| Northern Territory .. .. . | 42,330      | 26,645      | 6,053       | 12,729      |             |
| Total .. .. .              | 136,963,887 | 162,376,784 | 157,580,120 | 140,496,312 | 148,749,558 |
|                            | (d)         | (d)         | (d)         | (d)         | (d)         |

(a) Merchandise only. (b) Not available for publication. (c) Goods destined for overseas countries are largely transferred from one State to another for transhipment to the overseas country. In this table such goods are shown against the State from which they were finally dispatched. (d) Estimated British currency values were:—1935-36, £87,109,372; 1936-37, £87,109,372; 1937-38, £87,109,372; 1938-39, £87,109,372; 1939-40, £87,109,372.

## EXTERNAL TRADE—AUSTRALIA—VALUE OF, AND VALUE PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

BRITISH CURRENCY VALUES.

| Year.                   | Total Trade. | Imports.    | Exports.(a)    |                |             | Value per Head. |          |                |                |         |         |         |         |  |
|-------------------------|--------------|-------------|----------------|----------------|-------------|-----------------|----------|----------------|----------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--|
|                         |              |             | Aust. Produce. | Other Produce. | Total.      | Total Trade.    | Imports. | Exports.       |                |         |         |         |         |  |
|                         |              |             |                |                |             |                 |          | Aust. Produce. | Other Produce. | Total.  |         |         |         |  |
|                         | £            | £           | £              | £              | £           | £ s. d.         | £ s. d.  | £ s. d.        | £ s. d.        | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. |  |
| 1935-36                 | 194,624,865  | 85,252,458  | 106,622,378    | 2,750,029      | 109,372,407 | 28 16 8         | 12 12 7  | 15 15 11       | 0 8 2          | 16 4 1  |         |         |         |  |
| 1936-37                 | 222,304,780  | 92,640,462  | 126,501,534    | 3,162,784      | 129,664,318 | 32 13 5         | 13 12 4  | 18 11 9        | 0 9 4          | 19 1 1  |         |         |         |  |
| 1937-38                 | 239,812,939  | 113,975,060 | 122,675,945    | 3,161,934      | 125,837,879 | 34 18 9         | 16 12 1  | 17 17 5        | 0 9 3          | 18 6 8  |         |         |         |  |
| 1938-39                 | 214,357,724  | 102,156,352 | 108,188,167    | 4,013,205      | 112,201,372 | 30 18 10        | 14 14 11 | 15 12 4        | 0 11 7         | 16 3 11 |         |         |         |  |
| 1939-40                 | 234,437,627  | 115,675,505 | 117,280,891    | 1,481,231      | 118,762,122 | 33 10 2         | 16 10 8  | 16 15 3        | 0 4 3          | 16 19 6 |         |         |         |  |
| 1940-41<br>(six months) | 111,146,085  | 57,575,852  | 52,885,903     | 684,330        | 53,570,233  | ..              | ..       | ..             | ..             | ..      |         |         |         |  |

(a) Does not include the value of Stores shipped in Australian ports on board overseas ships. The values of Ships' Stores in Australian currency were:—1935-36, £1,808,291; 1936-37, £1,740,437; 1937-38, £2,091,249; 1938-39, £2,105,619; and 1939-40, £2,539,848. (b) Merchandise only.

| Year.                   | Imports.          |                           |             | Exports.          |                           |              | Excess of Exports. |                           |            |
|-------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|-------------|-------------------|---------------------------|--------------|--------------------|---------------------------|------------|
|                         | Mer-<br>chandise. | Specie<br>and<br>Bullion. | Total.      | Mer-<br>chandise. | Specie<br>and<br>Bullion. | Total.       | Mer-<br>chandise.  | Specie<br>and<br>Bullion. | Total.     |
|                         |                   |                           |             |                   |                           |              |                    |                           |            |
|                         | £                 | £                         | £           | £                 | £                         | £            | £                  | £                         | £          |
| 1935-36                 | 83,521,331        | 1,731,127                 | 85,252,458  | 98,529,053a       | 10,843,354                | 109,372,407b | 15,007,722         | 9,112,227                 | 24,119,949 |
| 1936-37                 | 90,591,580        | 2,048,882                 | 92,640,462  | 118,001,123a      | 11,663,195                | 129,664,318b | 27,409,543         | 9,614,313                 | 37,023,856 |
| 1937-38                 | 111,733,254       | 2,241,808                 | 113,975,060 | 112,281,676a      | 13,556,203                | 125,837,879b | 543,422            | 11,314,397                | 11,862,819 |
| 1938-39                 | 99,313,150        | 2,843,202                 | 102,156,352 | 97,032,575a       | 15,168,797                | 112,201,372b | -2,280,575         | 12,325,595                | 10,045,020 |
| 1939-40                 | 115,675,505       | (c)                       | (c)         | 118,762,122a      | (c)                       | (c)          | 3,086,617          | (c)                       | (c)        |
| 1940-41<br>(six months) | 57,575,852        | (c)                       | (c)         | 53,570,233a       | (c)                       | (c)          | -4,005,619         | (c)                       | (c)        |

(a) The values in Australian currency were:—1935-36, £123,407,641; 1936-37, £147,796,407; 1937-38, £140,632,800; 1938-39, £121,533,300; 1939-40, £148,749,558; and 1940-41 (six months), £67,096,717. (b) The values in Australian currency were:—1935-36, £136,963,887; 1936-37, £162,376,784; 1937-38, £157,580,120; 1938-39, £140,496,312; 1939-40, £148,749,558; and 1940-41 (six months), £67,096,717. (c) Not available for publication.

## CUSTOMS AND EXCISE REVENUE—AUSTRALIA.

Gross Revenue from Customs and Excise under the Sixteen Tariff Divisions and Total Net Revenue collected during the December Quarters of 1939 and 1940, the six months of the financial years 1939-40 and 1940-41, and the financial years 1938-39 and 1939-40.

| Division.   | December Quarter. |                   | Six Months.       |                   | Financial Year—   |                   |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|   | 1939.             | 1940.             | 1939-40.          | 1940-41.          | 1938-39.          | 1939-40.          |
|   | £                 | £                 | £                 | £                 | £                 | £                 |
| <b>CUSTOMS.</b>                                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| 1. Ale, Spirits, and Beverages ..                 | 284,636           | 282,285           | 835,995           | 485,289           | 1,166,499         | 1,451,319         |
| 2. Tobacco, and Manufactures thereof ..           | 1,080,196         | 1,162,844         | 2,182,904         | 2,231,318         | 4,084,582         | 4,284,510         |
| 3. Sugar ..                                       | 1,968             | 1,016             | 3,427             | 3,345             | 7,244             | 5,812             |
| 4. Agricultural Products and Groceries ..         | 437,392           | 388,824           | 873,834           | 646,521           | 1,385,794         | 1,489,248         |
| 5. Textiles, &c., and Attire ..                   | 538,127           | 497,225           | 1,477,507         | 1,230,689         | 2,846,187         | 3,251,369         |
| 6. Metals and Machinery ..                        | 537,239           | 338,611           | 1,205,345         | 765,794           | 2,587,562         | 2,308,002         |
| 7. Oils, Paints and Varnishes ..                  | 3,018,121         | 2,911,766         | 5,875,231         | 6,393,489         | 9,968,536         | 12,370,444        |
| 8. Earthenware, &c. ..                            | 95,060            | 69,437            | 236,000           | 157,146           | 515,747           | 453,060           |
| 9. Drugs and Chemicals ..                         | 85,257            | 70,781            | 173,873           | 147,961           | 320,195           | 384,160           |
| 10. Wood, Wicker and Cane ..                      | 138,277           | 101,660           | 344,043           | 195,977           | 765,813           | 669,604           |
| 11. Jewellery and Fancy Goods ..                  | 134,127           | 125,725           | 284,693           | 238,159           | 489,831           | 593,644           |
| 12. Leather and Rubber ..                         | 98,059            | 63,124            | 250,168           | 146,244           | 483,338           | 510,226           |
| 13. Paper and Stationery ..                       | 89,213            | 49,957            | 224,129           | 117,283           | 464,555           | 444,102           |
| 14. Vehicles ..                                   | 264,590           | 105,049           | 722,118           | 335,346           | 2,119,365         | 1,602,003         |
| 15. Musical Instruments ..                        | 4,421             | 1,491             | 11,568            | 4,568             | 32,003            | 19,673            |
| 16. Miscellaneous ..                              | 263,487           | 190,940           | 548,036           | 415,001           | 1,170,225         | 1,172,130         |
| Primage ..  | 1,010,024         | 928,269           | 2,139,166         | 1,990,636         | 4,109,062         | 4,810,405         |
| Ships' Stores ..                                  | 10,800            | 11,189            | 26,153            | 23,302            | 64,094            | 50,510            |
| Other Miscellaneous Receipts ..                   | 42,224            | 27,941            | 86,823            | 54,075            | 73,116            | 155,582           |
| Special War Duty ..                               | ..                | 396,869           | ..                | 878,881           | ..                | 307,896           |
| <b>Total Customs ..</b>                           | <b>8,193,218</b>  | <b>7,725,003</b>  | <b>17,501,013</b> | <b>16,461,024</b> | <b>32,653,748</b> | <b>36,333,699</b> |
| <b>EXCISE.</b>                                    |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Beer ..   | 2,702,914         | 3,687,481         | 4,308,076         | 5,748,003         | 7,341,655         | 8,838,927         |
| Cigarette Papers ..                               | 139,693           | 153,699           | 299,487           | 319,423           | 531,135           | 546,804           |
| Matches ..  | 22,854            | 57,954            | 49,232            | 79,446            | 81,969            | 91,972            |
| Petrol ..   | 226,715           | 291,324           | 396,476           | 680,140           | 583,984           | 990,472           |
| Playing Cards ..                                  | 3,744             | 3,575             | 7,429             | 6,682             | 11,741            | 14,278            |
| Spirits ..  | 359,795           | 618,151           | 1,139,591         | 1,142,189         | 1,801,976         | 2,121,341         |
| Tobacco, Cigars, Cigarettes, and Snuff ..         | 1,661,199         | 1,904,830         | 3,332,446         | 3,553,323         | 6,286,749         | 6,566,741         |
| Other Excise, including Licences, &c. ..          | 37,160            | 66,015            | 61,017            | 95,365            | 86,936            | 107,544           |
| <b>Total Excise..</b>                             | <b>5,154,074</b>  | <b>6,783,029</b>  | <b>9,593,754</b>  | <b>11,624,574</b> | <b>16,726,145</b> | <b>19,278,079</b> |
| <b>Total Gross Customs and Excise Collections</b> | <b>13,347,292</b> | <b>14,508,032</b> | <b>27,094,767</b> | <b>28,085,598</b> | <b>49,379,893</b> | <b>55,611,778</b> |
| <b>Drawbacks and Re-payments ..</b>               | <b>428,666</b>    | <b>574,332</b>    | <b>910,207</b>    | <b>1,098,542</b>  | <b>1,558,952</b>  | <b>1,573,456</b>  |
| <b>TOTAL NET REVENUE ..</b>                       | <b>12,918,626</b> | <b>13,933,700</b> | <b>26,184,560</b> | <b>26,987,056</b> | <b>47,820,941</b> | <b>54,038,322</b> |

# VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED INTO AND EXPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA.

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## IMPORTS (BRITISH CURRENCY VALUES).

| Article.  | December Quarter. |                  | Six Months.      |                  |
|---|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
|   | 1939.             | 1940.            | 1939-40.         | 1940-41.         |
| <b>CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, EXCLUDING LIVING ANIMALS.</b>                                  | £ Stg.            | £ Stg.           | £ Stg.           | £ Stg.           |
| <b>Fish—</b>  |                   |                  |                  |                  |
| Preserved in Tins .. ..   | 303,977           | 196,018          | 414,102          | 277,112          |
| Fresh, Smoked, Potted and Concentrated, &c. ..  | 69,497            | 47,929           | 148,703          | 115,930          |
| <b>Meats—</b>   |                   |                  |                  |                  |
| Preserved in Tins .. ..   | 1,788             | 1,208            | 2,725            | 2,447            |
| Potted and Concentrated ..  | 8,222             | 2,923            | 16,973           | 10,462           |
| Sausage Casings .. ..   | 47,538            | 36,604           | 103,250          | 88,927           |
| Other .. ..   | 526               | 22               | 719              | 51               |
| Milk and Cream .. ..  | 2,162             | 546              | 2,287            | 578              |
| Other Animal Foodstuffs ..  | 10,038            | 4,292            | 22,799           | 16,477           |
| <b>Total, Class I. .. ..</b>  | <b>443,748</b>    | <b>289,542</b>   | <b>711,558</b>   | <b>511,984</b>   |
| <b>CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN; NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND SUBSTANCES USED IN MAKING.</b> |                   |                  |                  |                  |
| Caramel, Caramel Paste, Caramel Butter and Cocoa Butter ..  | 6,703             | 12,434           | 30,841           | 55,188           |
| Cocoa and Chocolate .. ..   | 28,911            | 22,931           | 42,007           | 119,587          |
| Coffee and Chicory .. ..  | 37,521            | 37,251           | 60,364           | 63,234           |
| Confectionery .. ..   | 7,982             | 361              | 21,780           | 1,497            |
| <b>Fruits—</b>  |                   |                  |                  |                  |
| Dried, including Dates ..   | 90,519            | 71,406           | 91,099           | 72,147           |
| <b>Fresh—</b>   |                   |                  |                  |                  |
| Bananas .. ..   | 3,936             | 2,824            | 7,124            | 6,244            |
| Other .. ..   | 1,670             | 88               | 3,705            | 287              |
| Fruits and Vegetables, n.e.i. preserved in liquid .. ..   | 9,288             | 683              | 23,358           | 1,422            |
| Ginger .. ..  | 8,514             | 3,641            | 17,620           | 11,454           |
| <b>Grain and Pulse—</b>   |                   |                  |                  |                  |
| Unprepared .. ..  | 40,431            | 22,462           | 65,751           | 43,068           |
| <b>Prepared—</b>  |                   |                  |                  |                  |
| Rice .. ..  | 5,614             | 3,760            | 7,384            | 6,302            |
| Other .. ..   | 2,595             | 1,952            | 6,268            | 4,902            |
| Infants' and Invalids' Foods ..   | 9,913             | 10,878           | 19,348           | 17,559           |
| Liquorice .. ..   | 3,737             | 3,438            | 7,273            | 8,484            |
| Mustard .. ..   | 187               | 56               | 2,386            | 59               |
| Nuts, Edible .. ..  | 73,693            | 93,565           | 130,679          | 151,866          |
| Pickles and Sauces .. ..  | 1,914             | 1,568            | 4,068            | 3,071            |
| Sago and Tapioca .. ..  | 17,332            | 13,808           | 24,627           | 26,099           |
| Seeds—Canary, Hemp and Rape   | 8,096             | 10,717           | 18,200           | 22,692           |
| Spices .. ..  | 30,227            | 18,023           | 46,180           | 38,800           |
| Sugar Products .. ..  | 9,663             | 10,965           | 17,431           | 27,613           |
| Tea .. ..   | 908,847           | 712,215          | 1,592,407        | 1,241,312        |
| Other Vegetable Foodstuffs ..   | 64,392            | 98,275           | 137,966          | 133,588          |
| <b>Total, Class II. .. ..</b>   | <b>1,371,685</b>  | <b>1,153,301</b> | <b>2,377,866</b> | <b>2,056,475</b> |



VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued*.

| Article.   | December Quarter. |           | Six Months. |           |
|--|-------------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|
|  | 1939.             | 1940.     | 1939-40.    | 1940-41.  |
|  | £ Stg.            | £ Stg.    | £ Stg.      | £ Stg.    |
| CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS.                         |                   |           |             |           |
| Ale, Beer, Porter, Cider, Perry..                                    | 6,626             | 4,380     | 14,266      | 9,476     |
| Spirits (Beverages)—   |                   |           |             |           |
| Brandy .. .. .   | 2,924             | 1,556     | 7,494       | 3,309     |
| Gin .. .. .  | 7,616             | 5,809     | 11,537      | 19,942    |
| Rum .. .. .  | 2,172             | 4,276     | 3,542       | 6,774     |
| Whisky .. .. .   | 171,204           | 132,560   | 289,510     | 333,396   |
| Other, including Liqueurs ..   | 7,463             | 2,804     | 12,311      | 7,491     |
| Wine (Fermented)—  |                   |           |             |           |
| Sparkling .. .. .  | 3,232             | 529       | 6,098       | 1,127     |
| Other .. .. .  | 3,032             | 1,403     | 5,593       | 2,603     |
| Total, Class III. ..   | 204,269           | 153,317   | 350,351     | 384,118   |
| CLASS IV.—TOBACCO AND PREPARATIONS THEREOF.                          |                   |           |             |           |
| Tobacco—   |                   |           |             |           |
| Manufactured .. ..   | 12,467            | 12,375    | 23,250      | 23,658    |
| Unmanufactured .. ..   | 411,119           | 123,060   | 881,481     | 175,719   |
| Cigars .. .. .   | 3,367             | 32        | 8,131       | 517       |
| Cigarettes .. .. .   | 7,989             | 1,901     | 18,083      | 4,020     |
| Snuff .. .. .  | 168               | 111       | 282         | 239       |
| Total, Class IV. ..  | 435,110           | 137,479   | 931,227     | 204,153   |
| CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS ..   | 21,457            | 7,853     | 51,946      | 21,847    |
| CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES (MAINLY UNMANUFACTURED), NOT FOODSTUFFS. |                   |           |             |           |
| Gelatine and Glue of all kinds ..                                    | 9,502             | 7,080     | 10,830      | 11,838    |
| Gut, Imitation and Natural ..  | 5,954             | 3,652     | 12,525      | 7,068     |
| Hair and Fibre .. ..   | 33,118            | 45,367    | 65,807      | 106,059   |
| Hides and Skins—   |                   |           |             |           |
| Calf, Cattle, Horse .. ..  | 10,928            | 4,281     | 54,839      | 32,222    |
| Sheep .. .. .  | 2,043             | 475       | 5,506       | 1,604     |
| Other .. .. .  | 100,736           | 31,459    | 219,501     | 111,269   |
| Silk, Raw .. .. .  | 207,454           | 152,186   | 398,837     | 371,612   |
| Wool .. .. .   | 10,363            | 14,289    | 73,625      | 55,800    |
| Other Animal Substances ..   | 10,016            | 5,334     | 18,828      | 18,290    |
| Total, Class VI. ..  | 390,114           | 264,123   | 860,298     | 715,762   |
| CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES.                          |                   |           |             |           |
| Copra .. .. .  | 66,282            | 48,102    | 118,246     | 87,813    |
| Cork and Cork Manufactures ..  | 34,602            | 34,982    | 76,260      | 58,832    |
| Fibres—  |                   |           |             |           |
| Cotton, Raw .. ..  | 128,273           | 226,671   | 181,960     | 422,869   |
| Kapok .. .. .  | 58,016            | 36,498    | 108,978     | 76,782    |
| Other .. .. .  | 120,876           | 153,401   | 204,741     | 280,838   |
| Grass or Straw for Hatmaking,  |                   |           |             |           |
| Furniture, Mats, &c. ..  | 8,959             | 5,256     | 26,645      | 15,213    |
| Gums and Resins .. ..  | 142,488           | 116,662   | 226,566     | 241,692   |
| Pulp for Papermaking ..  | 49,306            | 266,504   | 118,854     | 437,537   |
| Seeds—   |                   |           |             |           |
| Gardening and Horticultural  | 15,559            | 9,399     | 23,511      | 16,969    |
| Linseed .. .. .  | 118,720           | 174,242   | 203,643     | 344,933   |
| Other .. .. .  | 41,684            | 39,852    | 64,366      | 82,726    |
| Tanning Substances .. ..   | 37,939            | 16,085    | 54,404      | 40,500    |
| Other Vegetable Substances ..  | 6,071             | 3,518     | 10,502      | 9,607     |
| Total, Class VII. ..   | 828,775           | 1,131,172 | 1,418,676   | 2,116,311 |

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

| Article.   | December Quarter. |           | Six Months. |            |
|--|-------------------|-----------|-------------|------------|
|  | 1939.             | 1940.     | 1939-40.    | 1940-41.   |
|  | £ Stg.            | £ Stg.    | £ Stg.      | £ Stg.     |
| CLASS VIII.—(a) APPAREL AND ATTIRE; (b) TEXTILES; (c) MANUFACTURED FIBRES. |                   |           |             |            |
| (a) <i>Apparel and Attire.</i>   |                   |           |             |            |
| Blouses, Skirts, Costumes, &c. (other than knitted) ..                     | 9,230             | 4,482     | 29,588      | 15,387     |
| Boots and Shoes ..   | 39,917            | 16,683    | 99,028      | 40,594     |
| Buttons ..   | 25,367            | 21,492    | 57,851      | 51,340     |
| Furs and other Skins wholly or partly made up and dressed or prepared ..   | 10,996            | 54,500    | 24,490      | 99,002     |
| Gloves ..  | 44,505            | 40,406    | 151,399     | 113,669    |
| Hats and Caps ..   | 34,308            | 19,544    | 107,451     | 69,052     |
| Knitted Articles of Apparel—   |                   |           |             |            |
| Blouses, Skirts, Jumpers, Underwear, &c. ..                                | 3,150             | 3,241     | 9,469       | 8,612      |
| Socks and Stockings ..   | 8,590             | 3,406     | 18,334      | 10,824     |
| Shirts, Collars, Ties, &c. ..  | 2,430             | 1,032     | 6,688       | 5,242      |
| Trimmings and Ornaments ..   | 60,519            | 54,245    | 174,698     | 127,910    |
| Other Apparel and Attire ..  | 55,308            | 46,181    | 156,067     | 113,359    |
| Total, Apparel and Attire  | 294,320           | 265,212   | 835,063     | 654,991    |
| (b) <i>Textiles.</i>   |                   |           |             |            |
| Carpets, Linoleums and other Floor Coverings ..                            | 383,166           | 338,619   | 789,093     | 853,913    |
| Cosies, Cushions, D'Oyleys ..  | 21,199            | 10,150    | 43,849      | 23,855     |
| Handkerchiefs and Serviettes of Cotton or Linen ..                         | 65,573            | 55,853    | 139,721     | 125,161    |
| Piece Goods—   |                   |           |             |            |
| Canvas and Duck ..   | 127,795           | 272,433   | 278,314     | 555,039    |
| Cotton and Linen ..  | 1,098,002         | 1,973,635 | 2,557,672   | 4,314,478  |
| Hessian and Other Jute Piece Goods ..                                      | 200,737           | 217,951   | 326,883     | 470,748    |
| Lace for Attire, &c. ..  | 33,528            | 39,301    | 81,014      | 100,696    |
| Silk, including Artificial Silk ..   | 585,467           | 567,305   | 1,494,425   | 1,854,489  |
| Velvets, Velveteens, Plushes, &c. ..                                       | 29,617            | 28,618    | 66,932      | 60,101     |
| Woollens ..  | 45,992            | 47,574    | 105,718     | 92,209     |
| Other ..   | 124,513           | 239,452   | 218,051     | 459,833    |
| Quilts, Tablecloths, Sheets, &c. Sewing and Other Cottons, Threads, &c. .. | 60,010            | 30,711    | 115,896     | 78,463     |
| Towels and Towelling ..  | 67,459            | 215,132   | 201,571     | 411,018    |
| Other Textiles ..  | 82,535            | 100,158   | 179,314     | 213,741    |
| Total, Textiles  | 57,431            | 38,823    | 125,937     | 95,553     |
| Total, Textiles  | 2,983,024         | 4,175,715 | 6,724,390   | 9,709,297  |
| (c) <i>Yarns and Manufactured Fibres.</i>                                  |                   |           |             |            |
| Bags and Sacks—  |                   |           |             |            |
| Bran, Chaff and Compressed Fodder ..                                       | 27,122            | 83,273    | 42,064      | 129,205    |
| Corn and Flour ..  | 1,153,979         | 892,546   | 1,368,890   | 1,263,471  |
| Woolpacks ..   | 103,229           | 191,155   | 268,676     | 541,738    |
| Other ..   | 2,325             | 3,423     | 3,411       | 11,506     |
| Cordage and Twines, excluding Metal Cordage ..                             | 51,139            | 65,656    | 105,959     | 141,457    |
| Yarns—   |                   |           |             |            |
| Artificial Silk ..   | 156,610           | 343,978   | 307,869     | 717,966    |
| Cotton ..  | 112,215           | 207,454   | 203,000     | 397,107    |
| Wool ..  | 7,257             | 6,042     | 14,405      | 17,691     |
| Other ..   | 9,116             | 14,800    | 17,052      | 29,439     |
| Total, Yarns and Manufactured Fibres ..                                    | 1,622,992         | 1,808,327 | 2,331,326   | 3,249,580  |
| Total, Class VIII.   | 4,900,336         | 6,249,254 | 9,890,779   | 13,613,868 |

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

| Article.   | December Quarter.        |           | Six Months. |           |
|--|--------------------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|
|  | 1939.                    | 1940.     | 1939-40.    | 1940-41.  |
| <b>CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS AND WAXES.</b>                                 | £ Stg.                   | £ Stg.    | £ Stg.      | £ Stg.    |
| Fats and Waxes, &c. . . . .  | 86,152                   | 67,856    | 139,442     | 166,308   |
| Linseed Oil . . . . .  | 3,024                    | 512       | 7,666       | 3,049     |
| Olive Oil . . . . .  | 7,098                    | 1,811     | 25,013      | 12,309    |
| Other Oils . . . . .   |                          |           |             |           |
| Total, Class IX. . . . .   | Included in Grand Total. |           |             |           |
| <b>CLASS X.—PAINTS AND VARNISHES.</b>                                  |                          |           |             |           |
| Paints and Colours . . . . .   | 121,634                  | 184,567   | 246,960     | 382,825   |
| Varnishes, Stains, Lacquers, &c. . . . .                               | 3,655                    | 3,004     | 8,213       | 6,213     |
| Total, Class X. . . . .  | 125,289                  | 187,571   | 255,173     | 389,038   |
| <b>CLASS XI.—STONES AND MINERALS, INCLUDING ORES AND CONCENTRATES.</b> |                          |           |             |           |
| Asphalt, Bitumen and Natural Pitch . . . . .                           | 103,385                  | 65,548    | 138,370     | 106,502   |
| Stone (including Marble and Slate)—                                    |                          |           |             |           |
| Abrasives . . . . .  | 32,404                   | 47,884    | 78,177      | 114,313   |
| Other Stones . . . . .   | 5,318                    | 2,549     | 11,578      | 6,377     |
| Other Minerals, &c., including Ores and Concentrates . . . . .         | 88,385                   | 220,990   | 157,215     | 332,441   |
| Total, Class XI. . . . .   | 229,492                  | 336,971   | 385,340     | 559,633   |
| <b>CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY.</b>            |                          |           |             |           |
| (a) <i>Machines and Machinery.</i>                                     |                          |           |             |           |
| Electric Machinery and Appliances—                                     |                          |           |             |           |
| Batteries and Accumulators . . . . .                                   | 14,077                   | 12,044    | 33,440      | 15,841    |
| Cable and Wire, covered . . . . .                                      | 262,920                  | 277,385   | 582,730     | 698,533   |
| Dynamo Electric Machines . . . . .                                     | 137,519                  | 135,385   | 382,606     | 355,814   |
| Lamps, Filament—for Lighting and Heating . . . . .                     | 34,887                   | 37,574    | 77,615      | 93,929    |
| Telegraph, Telephone Instruments, &c. . . . .                          | 132,575                  | 88,224    | 321,285     | 235,369   |
| Other . . . . .  | 257,713                  | 288,824   | 546,866     | 699,739   |
| Agricultural and Horticultural Machinery, &c. . . . .                  | 28,149                   | 15,282    | 116,821     | 44,074    |
| Dairy Implements and Machinery . . . . .                               | 34,549                   | 17,848    | 111,013     | 37,710    |
| Mining Machinery . . . . .   | 63,146                   | 125,842   | 142,182     | 177,804   |
| Motive-power Machinery (excluding electric) . . . . .                  | 399,857                  | 657,107   | 969,998     | 1,359,373 |
| Printing Machinery . . . . .   | 45,322                   | 11,076    | 99,393      | 53,828    |
| Roller Bearings and Ball Bearings . . . . .                            | 45,453                   | 113,280   | 90,463      | 202,221   |
| Sewing Machines . . . . .  | 123,781                  | 67,409    | 234,063     | 262,305   |
| Sheep-shearing Machinery . . . . .                                     | 1,932                    | 7,599     | 8,203       | 13,534    |
| Weighing Machines . . . . .  | 5,543                    | 4,865     | 18,357      | 14,231    |
| Yarn-making and Textile-making Machinery . . . . .                     | 62,205                   | 180,106   | 123,750     | 398,009   |
| Other Machines and Machinery . . . . .                                 | 916,937                  | 1,125,389 | 1,992,567   | 2,062,188 |
| Total, Machines and Machinery . . . . .                                | 2,566,565                | 3,165,239 | 5,851,352   | 6,724,502 |



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| Article.   | December Quarter. |           | Six Months. |            |
|--|-------------------|-----------|-------------|------------|
|  | 1939.             | 1940.     | 1939-40.    | 1940-41.   |
| CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY— <i>continued.</i> | £ Stg.            | £ Stg.    | £ Stg.      | £ Stg.     |
| (b) <i>Metals and Manufactures, other than Machinery.</i>              |                   |           |             |            |
| Bolts and Nuts, Rivets and Washers .. ..                               | 7,972             | 7,027     | 21,929      | 16,106     |
| Rails, Fishplates, Fishbolts, &c. ..                                   | 158               | ..        | 602         | ..         |
| Wire .. ..   | 23,496            | 14,674    | 60,249      | 42,135     |
| Lamps and Lampware .. ..   | 51,786            | 48,397    | 121,146     | 105,650    |
| Leaf and Foil .. ..  | 19,273            | 39,532    | 54,253      | 79,301     |
| Nails .. ..  | 8,270             | 4,682     | 15,549      | 14,156     |
| Pins, Hooks, and Eyes .. ..  | 9,859             | 25,483    | 24,218      | 56,502     |
| Plated Ware and Cutlery .. ..  | 97,453            | 159,311   | 240,498     | 334,065    |
| Tools of Trade (not being Machines) .. ..                              | 157,190           | 197,824   | 400,291     | 422,685    |
| Cycles and Cycle Parts .. ..   | 81,679            | 71,761    | 192,559     | 189,042    |
| Motor Cars, &c.—   |                   |           |             |            |
| Bodies and Parts .. ..   | 8,999             | 3,809     | 31,686      | 20,163     |
| Chassis and Parts .. ..  | 1,005,250         | 1,015,643 | 2,742,898   | 2,336,207  |
| Motor Cycles, Side Cars, &c. ..  | 33,916            | 13,229    | 86,973      | 33,178     |
| Other Metals and Metal Manufactures .. ..                              | 1,203,397         | 4,369,672 | 2,715,265   | 8,415,431  |
| Total, Metals and Manufactures ..                                      | 2,708,698         | 5,971,044 | 6,708,116   | 12,064,621 |
| Total, Class XII. ..   | 5,275,263         | 9,136,283 | 12,559,468  | 18,789,123 |
| CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER.  |                   |           |             |            |
| (a) <i>Rubber and Rubber Manufactures.</i>                             |                   |           |             |            |
| Crude Rubber, Rubber Waste, Masticated, &c. .. ..                      | 323,003           | 299,207   | 703,541     | 1,042,620  |
| Rubber Manufactures—   |                   |           |             |            |
| Boot and Apparel Elastic, Rubber Thread .. ..                          | 53,826            | 40,070    | 110,042     | 98,815     |
| Tyres, Pneumatic and Other ..  | 5,888             | 1,777     | 13,768      | 6,747      |
| Other .. ..  | 34,347            | 16,923    | 66,280      | 43,956     |
| Total, Rubber, &c. ..  | 417,064           | 357,977   | 893,631     | 1,192,138  |
| (b) <i>Leather and Manufactures of Leather.</i>                        |                   |           |             |            |
| Leather .. ..  | 8,605             | 5,675     | 24,805      | 20,344     |
| Leather Manufactures, &c. ..   | 9,184             | 18,021    | 23,819      | 34,288     |
| Total, Leather, &c. ..   | 17,789            | 23,696    | 48,624      | 54,632     |
| Total, Class XIII. ..  | 434,853           | 381,673   | 942,255     | 1,246,770  |

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|   | 1939.             | 1940.     | 1939-40.    | 1940-41.  |
| CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER,<br>RAW AND MANUFACTURED.                | £ Stg.            | £ Stg.    | £ Stg.      | £ Stg.    |
| Timber—   |                   |           |             |           |
| Dressed .. .. .   | 29,458            | 19,967    | 84,363      | 43,942    |
| Undressed .. .. .   | 352,528           | 160,132   | 703,265     | 319,453   |
| Wood and Wicker Manufactures,<br>including Furniture ..             | 61,333            | 26,744    | 146,891     | 121,138   |
| Total, Class XIV. ..  | 443,319           | 206,843   | 934,519     | 484,533   |
| CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, CE-<br>MENTS, CHINA, GLASS AND<br>STONEWARE. |                   |           |             |           |
| Crockery and other Household<br>Ware .. .. .                        | 125,327           | 149,524   | 272,574     | 347,853   |
| Glass and Glassware .. ..   | 142,183           | 130,282   | 363,050     | 305,168   |
| Other Earthenware, Cements,<br>and Stoneware .. .. .                | 93,836            | 66,545    | 185,427     | 159,807   |
| Total, Class XV. ..   | 361,346           | 346,351   | 821,051     | 812,828   |
| CLASS XVI.—PAPER AND STA-<br>TIONERY.                               |                   |           |             |           |
| (a) Paper.  |                   |           |             |           |
| Millboards and other boards ..                                      | 41,542            | 53,103    | 103,612     | 124,287   |
| Parchment .. .. .   | 16,442            | 49,627    | 35,521      | 118,799   |
| Printing .. .. .  | 459,904           | 515,026   | 1,275,347   | 1,525,878 |
| Wrapping .. .. .  | 60,705            | 105,907   | 146,954     | 206,757   |
| Writing and Typewriting ..  | 78,425            | 273,566   | 217,691     | 540,082   |
| Other .. .. .   | 103,320           | 138,341   | 227,471     | 283,612   |
| Total, Paper .. .. .  | 760,338           | 1,135,570 | 2,006,596   | 2,799,415 |
| (b) Stationery and Paper Manu-<br>factures.                         |                   |           |             |           |
| Books (printed), Directories, &c.                                   | 262,982           | 215,810   | 524,017     | 441,172   |
| Price Lists, Catalogues, Circulars,<br>&c. .. .. .                  | 11,703            | 7,069     | 31,539      | 18,133    |
| Paperhangings and Wallpapers ..                                     | 6,323             | 9,962     | 18,402      | 24,459    |
| Pens and Pencils .. .. .  | 50,901            | 40,580    | 97,594      | 98,134    |
| Other Stationery .. .. .  | 91,602            | 68,368    | 315,947     | 183,102   |
| Total, Stationery, &c. ..   | 423,511           | 341,789   | 987,499     | 765,000   |
| Total, Class XVI. ..  | 1,183,849         | 1,477,359 | 2,994,095   | 3,564,415 |
| CLASS XVII.—JEWELLERY, TIME-<br>PIECES AND FANCY GOODS.             |                   |           |             |           |
| Fancy Goods—  |                   |           |             |           |
| Articles used for games ..  | 35,092            | 10,208    | 82,993      | 37,799    |
| Toys .. .. .  | 69,269            | 24,418    | 139,273     | 71,970    |
| Other .. .. .   | 45,796            | 38,076    | 114,474     | 94,134    |
| Jewellery—  |                   |           |             |           |
| Precious Stones (Unset)—  |                   |           |             |           |
| Pearls, Cameos, &c. ..  | 60,688            | 27,953    | 110,086     | 55,162    |
| Other .. .. .   | 19,746            | 15,728    | 60,918      | 37,067    |
| Timepieces, Watches, Clocks, &c.                                    | 110,862           | 57,133    | 238,204     | 110,026   |
| Total, Class XVII. ..   | 341,453           | 173,516   | 745,948     | 406,158   |

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|  | 1939.             | 1940.     | 1939-40.    | 1940-41.  |
| CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS.           | £ Stg.            | £ Stg.    | £ Stg.      | £ Stg.    |
| Films for Cinematographs, &c...                                      | 141,415           | 113,717   | 273,823     | 245,563   |
| Optical and Meteorological Instruments .. ..                         | 23,217            | 37,617    | 60,186      | 67,925    |
| Surgical and Dental Instruments, &c. .. ..                           | 83,491            | 160,543   | 184,557     | 304,818   |
| Talking Machines—Phonographs, &c. .. ..                              | 18,083            | 11,808    | 33,578      | 21,672    |
| Other Optical and Scientific Instruments .. ..                       | 89,648            | 101,004   | 190,490     | 222,883   |
| Total, Class XVIII. ..   | 355,854           | 424,689   | 742,634     | 862,861   |
| CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS.                         |                   |           |             |           |
| Acids .. ..  | 31,895            | 36,891    | 56,608      | 78,848    |
| Argol .. ..  | 27,828            | 1,499     | 44,632      | 51,684    |
| Cream of Tartar and Substitutes                                      | 4,391             | 10,322    | 9,616       | 15,732    |
| Drugs and Medicinal Preparations—                                    |                   |           |             |           |
| Proprietary Medicines ..   | 63,815            | 79,766    | 152,596     | 207,919   |
| Other .. ..  | 40,053            | 86,963    | 104,386     | 207,270   |
| Dyes .. ..   | 63,890            | 170,923   | 145,081     | 320,061   |
| Fertilizers .. ..  | 266,871           | 347,921   | 560,260     | 569,781   |
| Insecticides, Disinfectants, Washes and Dips .. ..                   | 23,238            | 25,541    | 62,933      | 44,606    |
| Oils, Essential (non-spirituous) ..                                  | 34,582            | 42,064    | 53,668      | 86,936    |
| Perfumery and Toilet Preparations .. ..                              | 53,809            | 41,052    | 94,080      | 85,487    |
| Salt .. ..   | 9,022             | 7,309     | 18,868      | 21,174    |
| Spirits and Spirituous Preparations—                                 |                   |           |             |           |
| Essences, Fruit Ethers, Flavours, Juices, Syrups                     | 8,098             | 4,038     | 11,944      | 7,790     |
| Other .. ..  | 14,335            | 6,084     | 35,539      | 17,763    |
| Other Drugs and Chemicals ..   | 578,783           | 740,283   | 1,173,814   | 1,445,513 |
| Total, Class XIX. ..   | 1,220,610         | 1,600,656 | 2,524,025   | 3,160,564 |
| CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.   |                   |           |             |           |
| Bags, Baskets, Boxes, Cases, Trunks, &c. .. ..                       | 56,111            | 32,522    | 143,119     | 82,420    |
| Brushware—   |                   |           |             |           |
| Vacuum Cleaners (Household)  | 59,332            | 21,897    | 115,747     | 51,821    |
| Other .. ..  | 15,466            | 8,957     | 40,040      | 23,452    |
| Celluloid Sheets and Articles, n.e.i. of Celluloid, Xylonite, &c. .. | 44,875            | 47,193    | 74,827      | 75,239    |
| Goods per parcel post. ..  | 92,404            | 89,822    | 220,370     | 183,329   |
| Musical Instruments, &c.—  |                   |           |             |           |
| Pianos .. ..   | 7,618             | 1,685     | 14,224      | 5,936     |
| Player Pianos .. ..  | ..                | ..        | 313         | 519       |
| Piano and Player Piano Parts   | 1,342             | 661       | 3,230       | 4,860     |
| Other Musical Instruments and Parts .. ..                            | 20,008            | 10,900    | 41,264      | 31,264    |



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|   | 1939.                    | 1940.      | 1939-40.    | 1940-41.   |
| CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS— <i>continued.</i>        | £ Stg.                   | £ Stg.     | £ Stg.      | £ Stg.     |
| Oilmen's Stores .. ..                             | 23,153                   | 26,293     | 58,742      | 51,802     |
| Soap .. ..  | 11,968                   | 10,315     | 32,286      | 19,928     |
| All other Articles .. ..                          | Included in Grand Total. |            |             |            |
| Total, Class XX. ..                               |                          |            |             |            |
| Class XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER;<br>AND BRONZE SPECIE. | (a)                      | (a)        | (a)         | (a)        |
| SUMMARY.  |                          |            |             |            |
| Importing States—                                 |                          |            |             |            |
| New South Wales .. ..                             | (a)                      | (a)        | (a)         | (a)        |
| Victoria .. ..                                    |                          |            |             |            |
| Queensland .. ..                                  |                          |            |             |            |
| South Australia .. ..                             |                          |            |             |            |
| Western Australia .. ..                           |                          |            |             |            |
| Tasmania .. ..                                    |                          |            |             |            |
| Northern Territory .. ..                          |                          |            |             |            |
| GRAND TOTAL—MERCHANDISE                           | 22,404,385               | 27,282,281 | 47,287,917  | 57,575,852 |

## ESTIMATED AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY VALUES.

|                                     | £A.        | £A.        | £A.        | £A.        |
|-------------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| TOTAL IMPORTS—<br>Merchandise .. .. | 28,061,492 | 34,171,058 | 59,228,116 | 72,113,755 |

(a) Not available for publication.

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|---|-------------------|-----------|-------------|------------|
|   | 1939.             | 1940.     | 1939-40.    | 1940-41.   |
|   | £A.               | £A.       | £A.         | £A.        |
| <b>CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, EXCLUDING LIVING ANIMALS.</b>                                  |                   |           |             |            |
| Butter .. .. .  | 5,406,994         | 3,432,745 | 8,330,682   | 4,543,657  |
| Butter Substitutes .. .. .  | 1,179             | 59,101    | 2,542       | 73,570     |
| Cheese .. .. .  | 441,868           | 471,218   | 712,888     | 712,037    |
| Eggs .. .. .  | 386,472           | 613,396   | 574,920     | 943,558    |
| Meats—  |                   |           |             |            |
| Bacon and Hams .. .. .  | 112,521           | 92,362    | 144,094     | 166,803    |
| Potted or Concentrated .. .. .  | 14,653            | 15,089    | 19,556      | 34,942     |
| Preserved by Cold Process—  |                   |           |             |            |
| Beef .. .. .  | 1,396,783         | 737,350   | 2,845,609   | 2,566,567  |
| Lamb .. .. .  | 3,604,230         | 2,567,547 | 4,268,869   | 3,377,510  |
| Mutton .. .. .  | 214,754           | 35,748    | 462,046     | 169,878    |
| Pork .. .. .  | 280,285           | 497,344   | 586,273     | 937,073    |
| Rabbits and Hares .. .. .   | 30,766            | 20,241    | 126,925     | 93,127     |
| Preserved in Tins .. .. .   | 180,962           | 443,978   | 378,518     | 797,306    |
| Sausage Casings .. .. .   | 169,366           | 132,652   | 239,957     | 223,583    |
| Other .. .. .   | 216,929           | 227,176   | 370,202     | 479,850    |
| Milk and Cream .. .. .  | 373,102           | 453,858   | 539,850     | 674,998    |
| Other Animal Foodstuffs .. .. .   | 27,073            | 18,408    | 41,378      | 61,373     |
| Total, Class I. .. .. .   | 12,857,937        | 9,818,213 | 19,644,309  | 15,855,832 |
| <b>CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN; NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND SUBSTANCES USED IN MAKING.</b> |                   |           |             |            |
| Aerated Waters, Cocoa and Chocolate, Coffee and Chicory, Fruit Juices, &c. .. .. .                      | 14,149            | 37,460    | 27,384      | 69,081     |
| Biscuits .. .. .  | 27,814            | 50,687    | 57,567      | 96,163     |
| Confectionery .. .. .   | 34,518            | 29,320    | 63,138      | 53,170     |
| Fodders .. .. .   | 27,868            | 10,290    | 52,145      | 22,596     |
| Fruits, Dried—  |                   |           |             |            |
| Currants .. .. .  | 21,091            | 47,046    | 176,150     | 384,911    |
| Raisins .. .. .   | 43,850            | 170,744   | 414,956     | 1,063,905  |
| Other .. .. .   | 1,383             | 5,970     | 17,709      | 28,069     |
| Fruits, Fresh—  |                   |           |             |            |
| Apples .. .. .  | 3,138             | 10,287    | 59,453      | 71,406     |
| Citrus .. .. .  | 75,495            | 94,400    | 166,478     | 140,355    |
| Other .. .. .   | 4,660             | 1,787     | 14,733      | 6,426      |
| Fruits, preserved in liquid .. .. .   | 156,307           | 175,588   | 608,563     | 317,664    |
| Fruits and Vegetables, pulped .. .. .   | 7,235             | 3,010     | 19,929      | 7,406      |
| Grain and Pulse—  |                   |           |             |            |
| Unprepared—   |                   |           |             |            |
| Barley .. .. .  | 11,525            | 14,267    | 84,472      | 83,311     |
| Wheat .. .. .   | 933,211           | 2,515,161 | 1,583,533   | 5,653,078  |
| Other .. .. .   | 8,466             | 18,602    | 18,299      | 57,220     |
| Prepared—   |                   |           |             |            |
| Bran, Pollard and Sharps .. .. .  | 68,093            | 25,849    | 193,275     | 74,966     |
| Flour (Wheaten) .. .. .   | 1,069,176         | 1,848,611 | 2,119,058   | 3,915,672  |
| Rice .. .. .  | 73,942            | 70,942    | 177,135     | 148,265    |
| Other .. .. .   | 56,336            | 56,951    | 84,339      | 141,200    |
| Infants' and Invalids' Foods .. .. .  | 69                | 147       | 75          | 147        |
| Jams and Fruit Jellies .. .. .  | 98,974            | 74,430    | 170,978     | 195,768    |
| Sugar .. .. .   | 2,043,666         | 1,423,977 | 4,153,295   | 3,523,001  |
| Tea .. .. .   | 18,075            | 10,745    | 28,898      | 21,970     |
| Other Vegetable Foodstuffs .. .. .  | 36,096            | 94,076    | 54,481      | 156,846    |
| Total, Class II. .. .. .  | 4,835,137         | 6,790,347 | 10,346,043  | 16,232,596 |

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|   | £A.               | £A.        | £A.         | £A.        |
| <b>CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS.</b>                         |                   |            |             |            |
| Ale, Beer, Porter, Cider and Perry  | 26,452            | 195,740    | 46,754      | 337,322    |
| Spirits (Beverages) .. ..   | 77,499            | 74,208     | 117,200     | 134,802    |
| Wine .. ..  | 403,770           | 98,930     | 718,631     | 269,626    |
| Total, Class III. ..  | 507,721           | 368,878    | 882,585     | 741,750    |
| <b>CLASS IV.—TOBACCO AND PREPARATIONS THEREOF.</b>                          |                   |            |             |            |
| Cigars, Cigarettes and Snuff ..   | 6,806             | 57,978     | 9,044       | 92,598     |
| Tobacco .. ..   | 56,016            | 55,134     | 141,445     | 136,049    |
| Total, Class IV. ..   | 62,822            | 113,112    | 150,489     | 228,647    |
| <b>CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS.</b>   |                   |            |             |            |
| Cattle .. ..  | 2,579             | 870        | 3,766       | 1,994      |
| Horses .. ..  | 35,392            | 27,349     | 51,077      | 47,511     |
| Sheep .. ..   | 38,576            | 18,830     | 57,788      | 40,392     |
| Other Living Animals ..   | 1,084             | 1,176      | 2,279       | 2,277      |
| Total, Class V. ..  | 77,631            | 48,225     | 114,910     | 92,174     |
| <b>CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES (MAINLY UNMANUFACTURED), NOT FOODSTUFFS.</b> |                   |            |             |            |
| Bêche-de-mer .. ..  | 716               | 979        | 901         | 2,051      |
| Gelatine and Glue of all kinds ..   | 29,658            | 31,266     | 67,667      | 75,908     |
| Hides and Skins—  |                   |            |             |            |
| Calf, Cattle and Horse ..   | 183,072           | 130,149    | 404,248     | 248,701    |
| Fox .. ..   | 11,709            | 9,139      | 32,198      | 66,022     |
| Kangaroo and Wallaby ..   | 87,923            | 123,096    | 125,791     | 189,568    |
| Opossum .. ..   | 4,576             | 35,462     | 8,590       | 73,566     |
| Rabbit .. ..  | 199,081           | 240,768    | 471,781     | 965,836    |
| Sheep .. ..   | 897,750           | 410,045    | 1,428,933   | 729,965    |
| Other .. ..   | 9,132             | 3,971      | 12,815      | 8,464      |
| Pearl-shell .. ..   | 63,145            | 46,910     | 130,115     | 119,296    |
| Trochus-shell .. ..   | 9,917             | 2,723      | 17,718      | 3,612      |
| Wool—   |                   |            |             |            |
| Greasy .. ..  | 14,519,229        | 8,443,588  | 17,525,485  | 13,592,088 |
| Scoured and Tops .. ..  | 1,190,979         | 1,817,013  | 2,525,713   | 4,777,369  |
| Other Animal Substances ..  | 41,683            | 19,300     | 85,002      | 37,650     |
| Total, Class VI. ..   | 17,248,570        | 11,314,409 | 22,836,957  | 20,890,096 |
| <b>CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES.</b>                          |                   |            |             |            |
| Copra .. ..   | ..                | ..         | 1,121       | 12         |
| Fibres—   |                   |            |             |            |
| Cotton, raw .. ..   | ..                | 1,420      | ..          | 1,712      |
| Other .. ..   | 26,363            | 40,362     | 53,200      | 79,080     |
| Sandalwood .. ..  | 12,892            | 16,140     | 18,605      | 22,104     |
| Seeds .. ..   | 11,971            | 24,635     | 40,785      | 42,175     |
| Tanning Substances .. ..  | 13,165            | 18,668     | 20,760      | 32,679     |
| Other Vegetable Substances ..   | 16,177            | 7,613      | 26,043      | 19,820     |
| Total, Class VII. ..  | 80,568            | 108,838    | 160,514     | 197,582    |



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| CLASS VIII.—(a) APPAREL AND ATTIRE ; (b) TEXTILES ; (c) MANUFACTURED FIBRES.      | £A.               | £A.       | £A.         | £A.       |
| Boots and Shoes .. ..   | 7,996             | 8,425     | 16,452      | 16,948    |
| Other Apparel and Attire ..   | 20,692            | 89,806    | 40,782      | 139,016   |
| Piece Goods .. ..   | 36,603            | 81,906    | 74,956      | 171,652   |
| Other Textiles .. ..  | 28,162            | 34,382    | 48,609      | 67,438    |
| Manufactured Fibres, including Bags, Cordage and Yarns ..                         | 65,985            | 139,981   | 135,952     | 281,920   |
| Total, Class VIII. ..   | 159,438           | 354,500   | 316,751     | 676,974   |
| CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS, AND WAXES.  |                   |           |             |           |
| Fats and Waxes .. ..  | 52,561            | 55,715    | 83,244      | 149,470   |
| Tallow, unrefined .. ..   | 205,976           | 90,268    | 308,280     | 213,965   |
| Other .. ..   | 108,083           | 61,512    | 153,954     | 113,589   |
| Total, Class IX. ..   | 366,620           | 207,495   | 545,478     | 477,024   |
| CLASS X.—PAINTS AND VARNISHES.  | 41,888            | 50,146    | 75,910      | 96,136    |
| CLASS XI.—STONES AND MINERALS, INCLUDING ORES AND CONCENTRATES.                   | 551,950           | 463,844   | 1,322,670   | 925,363   |
| CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY.                              |                   |           |             |           |
| (a) <i>Machines and Machinery.</i>  | 294,900           | 541,015   | 579,707     | 976,888   |
| (b) <i>Metals and Metal Manufactures other than Machinery.</i>                    | 3,353,089         | 2,640,005 | 6,806,736   | 5,420,493 |
| Total, Class XII. ..  | 3,647,989         | 3,181,020 | 7,386,443   | 6,397,381 |
| CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF AND SUBSTITUTES THEREFOR. |                   |           |             |           |
| Rubber and Manufactures ..  | 27,798            | 140,100   | 48,108      | 215,304   |
| Leather .. ..   | 321,476           | 233,877   | 509,496     | 453,566   |
| Leather Manufactures, &c. ..  | 9,667             | 14,902    | 16,716      | 31,437    |
| Total, Class XIII. ..   | 358,941           | 388,879   | 574,320     | 700,307   |
| CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER, RAW AND MANUFACTURED.                                 |                   |           |             |           |
| Timber .. ..  | 261,857           | 270,830   | 480,057     | 475,867   |
| Wood and Wicker Manufactures, including Furniture ..                              | 38,575            | 104,531   | 83,050      | 210,613   |
| Total, Class XIV. ..  | 300,432           | 375,361   | 563,107     | 686,480   |

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued.*

| Article.   | December Quarter. |         | Six Months. |          |
|--|-------------------|---------|-------------|----------|
|  | 1939.             | 1940.   | 1939-40.    | 1940-41. |
|  | £A.               | £A.     | £A.         | £A.      |
| CLASS XV. — EARTHENWARE,<br>CEMENTS, CHINA, GLASS AND<br>STONEWARE .. .. | 37,236            | 60,415  | 87,168      | 99,639   |
| CLASS XVI.—PAPER AND STATION-<br>ERY.                                    |                   |         |             |          |
| Paper .. ..  | 21,334            | 36,566  | 39,657      | 63,444   |
| Stationery .. ..   | 67,762            | 69,016  | 174,488     | 118,963  |
| Total, Class XVI. ..   | 89,096            | 105,582 | 214,145     | 182,407  |
| CLASS XVII.—JEWELLERY, TIME-<br>PIECES AND FANCY GOODS.                  |                   |         |             |          |
| Precious Stones, unset, Pearls,<br>Cameos, &c. .. ..                     | 5,064             | 4,975   | 23,668      | 6,388    |
| Other Jewellery, Timepieces and<br>Fancy Goods .. ..                     | 20,613            | 18,116  | 54,599      | 35,293   |
| Total, Class XVII. ..  | 25,677            | 23,091  | 78,267      | 41,681   |
| CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL<br>AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS.            |                   |         |             |          |
| Films for Cinematographs, &c... ..                                       | 52,108            | 50,608  | 100,288     | 96,904   |
| Photographic Goods and Materials   | 13,501            | 13,945  | 40,213      | 44,148   |
| Talking Machines, Phonographs,<br>&c. .. ..                              | 6,701             | 7,769   | 14,940      | 15,418   |
| Other Optical, Surgical and<br>Scientific Instruments .. ..              | 18,544            | 20,299  | 33,487      | 39,608   |
| Total, Class XVIII. ..   | 90,854            | 92,621  | 188,928     | 196,078  |
| CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, CHEMICALS,<br>AND FERTILIZERS.                         |                   |         |             |          |
| Casein .. ..   | 21,350            | 8,275   | 33,368      | 19,966   |
| Fertilizers .. ..  | 23,717            | 7,289   | 36,860      | 9,685    |
| Medicines .. ..  | 61,645            | 73,615  | 111,644     | 139,169  |
| Oils—  |                   |         |             |          |
| Essential (non-spirituous), n.e.i.                                       | 12,327            | 3,303   | 22,410      | 7,586    |
| Eucalyptus .. ..   | 31,490            | 34,259  | 59,710      | 109,177  |
| Perfumery and Toilet Prepara-<br>tions .. ..                             | 10,108            | 17,217  | 23,090      | 30,158   |
| Other Drugs and Chemicals .. ..  | 121,991           | 144,414 | 226,162     | 284,866  |
| Total, Class XIX. ..   | 282,628           | 288,372 | 513,244     | 600,607  |

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued.*

| Article.  | December Quarter. |            | Six Months. |            |
|---|-------------------|------------|-------------|------------|
|   | 1939.             | 1940.      | 1939-40.    | 1940-41.   |
|   | £A.               | £A.        | £A.         | £A.        |
| CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.                          |                   |            |             |            |
| Goods Exported per parcel post                    | 8,804             | 9,147      | 19,031      | 16,466     |
| Miscellaneous Articles to Pacific Islands .. .. . | 42,629            | 40,766     | 89,966      | 85,761     |
| Oilmen's Stores .. .. .                           | 28,963            | 20,585     | 42,750      | 40,208     |
| Personal and Household Effects, &c. .. .. .       | 19,610            | 31,696     | 43,658      | 57,678     |
| Soap .. .. .                                      | 31,918            | 24,955     | 51,891      | 63,706     |
| All other Articles .. .. .                        | 163,659           | 850,831    | 265,841     | 1,514,144  |
| Total, Class XX. ..                               | 295,583           | 977,980    | 513,137     | 1,777,963  |
| CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER;<br>AND BRONZE SPECIE. |                   |            |             |            |
|   | (a)               | (a)        | (a)         | (a)        |
| SUMMARY.  |                   |            |             |            |
| States of Final Shipment—                         |                   |            |             |            |
| New South Wales .. .. .                           | }                 | (a)        | (a)         | (a)        |
| Victoria .. .. .                                  |                   |            |             |            |
| Queensland .. .. .                                |                   |            |             |            |
| South Australia .. .. .                           |                   |            |             |            |
| Western Australia .. .. .                         |                   |            |             |            |
| Tasmania .. .. .                                  |                   |            |             |            |
| Northern Territory .. .. .                        |                   |            |             |            |
| Total { Australian Produce                        | 41,477,526        | 34,749,576 | 65,601,122  | 66,239,594 |
| Other Produce .. .. .                             | 441,192           | 381,752    | 914,253     | 857,123    |
| GRAND TOTAL—MERCHANDISE ..                        | 41,918,718        | 35,131,328 | 66,515,375  | 67,096,717 |

## ESTIMATED BRITISH CURRENCY VALUES.

|                                       | £ Stg.     | £ Stg.     | £ Stg.     | £ Stg.     |
|---------------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| TOTAL EXPORTS—<br>Merchandise .. .. . | 33,468,038 | 28,048,964 | 53,106,087 | 53,570,233 |

(a) Not available for publication.



**PRINCIPAL AGRICULTURAL, PASTORAL AND DAIRY PRODUCE OF AUSTRALIAN  
ORIGIN EXPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA.**

| Year. | Butter. | Flour. | Wheat. | Wool.   |              | Mutton<br>and<br>Lamb. | Beef. (b) |
|-------|---------|--------|--------|---------|--------------|------------------------|-----------|
|       |         |        |        | Greasy. | Scoured. (a) |                        |           |

**QUANTITY.**

|         | Cental.   | Cental.    | Cental.    | Cental.   | Cental. | Cental.   | Cental.   |
|---------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|---------|-----------|-----------|
| 1936-37 | 1,743,094 | 11,295,563 | 43,066,812 | 7,591,595 | 722,891 | 2,084,582 | 2,338,542 |
| 1937-38 | 1,973,456 | 12,609,420 | 56,702,254 | 7,218,255 | 616,552 | 2,018,025 | 2,938,035 |
| 1938-39 | 2,295,428 | 14,501,304 | 37,877,414 | 7,933,846 | 708,812 | 1,864,885 | 2,719,638 |

**VALUE.—(AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY.)**

|                    | £A.        | £A.       | £A.        | £A.        | £A.       | £A.       | £A.       |
|--------------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 1936-37            | 8,801,643  | 5,590,942 | 18,670,772 | 55,155,006 | 7,347,623 | 5,233,652 | 3,036,239 |
| 1937-38            | 10,781,124 | 6,032,488 | 20,906,601 | 41,221,729 | 5,760,950 | 5,339,981 | 4,367,064 |
| 1938-39            | 12,891,837 | 4,540,210 | 8,734,974  | 37,304,985 | 5,324,476 | 4,807,466 | 4,323,680 |
| 1939-40            | 15,894,718 | 5,231,485 | 7,557,370  | 49,199,728 | 7,648,671 | 6,082,384 | 4,825,237 |
| 1940-41<br>6 mths. | 4,543,657  | 3,915,672 | 5,653,078  | 13,592,088 | 4,777,369 | 3,547,388 | 2,566,567 |

| Year. | Bacon<br>and<br>Hams. | Cheese. | Pork. | Fruits<br>Preserved<br>in Liquid—<br>Apples,<br>Peaches,<br>Pineapples,<br>Pears, &c. | Fruits, Dried. |  |  |
|-------|-----------------------|---------|-------|---|----------------|--|--|
|       |                       |         |       |   | Currants.      | Raisins,<br>including<br>Sultanas<br>and Lexias. | Apples,<br>Prunes,<br>Apricots,<br>Peaches<br>and<br>Others. |

**QUANTITY.**

|         | Cental. | Cental. | Cental. | Cental. | Cental. | Cental.   | Cental. |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-----------|---------|
| 1936-37 | 17,525  | 139,236 | 268,165 | 648,092 | 262,958 | 915,599   | 25,520  |
| 1937-38 | 16,760  | 272,454 | 339,594 | 864,981 | 341,669 | 1,063,780 | 52,750  |
| 1938-39 | 17,391  | 359,236 | 307,164 | 812,788 | 532,194 | 1,109,924 | 39,144  |
| 1939-40 | 42,474  | 430,557 | 522,028 | 791,069 | 307,136 | 835,082   | 14,703  |

**VALUE.—(AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY.)**

|                    | £A.     | £A.       | £A.       | £A.       | £A.     | £A.       | £A.     |
|--------------------|---------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------|-----------|---------|
| 1936-37            | 112,680 | 383,974   | 687,043   | 1,011,994 | 440,734 | 1,540,909 | 77,715  |
| 1937-38            | 117,654 | 845,110   | 934,575   | 1,287,962 | 570,643 | 1,968,444 | 144,269 |
| 1938-39            | 119,994 | 1,073,931 | 882,115   | 1,267,070 | 772,966 | 1,974,039 | 117,649 |
| 1939-40            | 274,915 | 1,440,131 | 1,561,432 | 1,349,484 | 487,678 | 1,447,353 | 58,655  |
| 1940-41<br>6 mths. | 166,803 | 712,037   | 937,073   | 317,664   | 384,911 | 1,063,568 | 28,069  |

(a) Includes Tops, Noils and Waste.

(b) Includes Veal.

## Section IV.—Finance.

## (A.) COMMONWEALTH FINANCE.

## COMMONWEALTH CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND.

## RECEIPTS.(a)

| Sources of Revenue.                        | 1935-36.          | 1936-37.          | 1937-38.          | 1938-39.            | 1939-40.           |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| <b>TAXATION—</b>                           |                   |                   |                   |                     |                    |
| Customs .. .. .                            | £ 28,068,870      | £ 28,782,784      | £ 32,972,666      | £ 31,160,462        | £ 34,830,306       |
| Excise .. .. .                             | 13,368,847        | 14,210,248        | 15,410,339        | 16,471,903          | 18,994,600         |
| Sales Tax .. .. .                          | 9,432,483         | 8,008,427         | 8,023,886         | 9,308,334           | 12,196,175         |
| Flour Tax .. .. .                          | 1,150,724         | Dr. 12,193        | 3,025             | 1,808,972           | 2,486,070          |
| Land Tax .. .. .                           | 1,326,991         | 1,435,465         | 1,368,444         | 1,489,436           | 1,645,829          |
| Estate Duty .. .. .                        | 1,472,860         | 1,792,600         | 1,872,654         | 1,915,352           | 2,212,690          |
| Income Tax .. .. .                         | 8,775,562         | 8,556,014         | 9,398,503         | 11,882,440          | 16,430,313         |
| Gold Tax .. .. .                           | ..                | ..                | ..                | ..                  | 1,214,621          |
| Entertainment Tax .. .. .                  | 13                | 107               | 1                 | ..                  | 59                 |
| War-time Profits Tax .. .. .               | 20,956            | ..                | Dr. 1,033         | ..                  | ..                 |
| <b>Total Taxation .. .. .</b>              | <b>63,617,306</b> | <b>62,773,452</b> | <b>69,048,485</b> | <b>74,036,899</b>   | <b>90,010,663</b>  |
| <b>BUSINESS UNDERTAKINGS—</b>              |                   |                   |                   |                     |                    |
| Post Office(b) .. .. .                     | 14,839,044        | 15,786,617        | 16,732,201        | 17,350,491          | 17,878,453         |
| <b>Railways—</b>                           |                   |                   |                   |                     |                    |
| Trans-Australian .. .. .                   | 248,939           | 270,161           | 267,754           | 330,643             | 368,218            |
| North Australian .. .. .                   | 30,656            | 36,440            | 37,768            | 50,471              | 60,797             |
| Central Australian .. .. .                 | 98,634            | 122,698           | 124,417           | 137,521             | 146,921            |
| Australian Capital Territory .. .. .       | 5,379             | 6,994             | 5,803             | 7,275               | 11,736             |
| <b>Total Railways .. .. .</b>              | <b>383,608</b>    | <b>436,293</b>    | <b>435,742</b>    | <b>525,910</b>      | <b>587,672</b>     |
| <b>Total Business Undertakings .. .. .</b> | <b>15,222,652</b> | <b>16,222,910</b> | <b>17,167,943</b> | <b>17,876,401</b>   | <b>18,466,125</b>  |
| <b>OTHER REVENUE—</b>                      |                   |                   |                   |                     |                    |
| Interest(a) .. .. .                        | 1,338,510         | 1,074,423         | 1,044,076         | 1,144,014           | 1,145,989          |
| Copyrights, Patents, Trade Marks .. .. .   | 58,783            | 62,163            | 61,435            | 67,914              | 61,982             |
| Bankruptcy .. .. .                         | 29,517            | 30,569            | 36,441            | 30,770              | 35,817             |
| Coinage .. .. .                            | 167,719           | 295,167           | 362,705           | 127,764             | 180,458            |
| Defence .. .. .                            | 38,025            | 41,731            | 29,244            | 151,208             | 166,880            |
| Civil Aviation .. .. .                     | 4,080             | 4,418             | 5,556             | 5,745               | 11,171             |
| Health .. .. .                             | 18,090            | 67,134            | 17,621            | 18,204              | 15,740             |
| Commerce and Marine—                       |                   |                   |                   |                     |                    |
| Wool levy(c) .. .. .                       | ..                | 72,805            | 77,523            | 74,396              | 84,361             |
| Marine .. .. .                             | 218,915           | 216,406           | } 182,463         | 158,137             | 147,315            |
| Other .. .. .                              | 11,206            | Dr. 1,104         |                   |                     |                    |
| Territories .. .. .                        | 313,770           | 300,253           | 330,975           | 355,401             | 415,412            |
| Net Profit, Note Issue .. .. .             | 855,720           | 898,585           | 839,883           | 766,730             | 985,993            |
| Other .. .. .                              | 236,211           | 272,017           | 242,864           | 251,207             | 185,878            |
| Balance of Trust Accounts .. .. .          | 72,837            | 477,048           | 10,940            | ..                  | ..                 |
| <b>Total .. .. .</b>                       | <b>3,363,383</b>  | <b>3,811,615</b>  | <b>3,241,726</b>  | <b>3,151,490</b>    | <b>3,436,996</b>   |
| <b>Grand Total .. .. .</b>                 | <b>82,203,341</b> | <b>82,807,977</b> | <b>89,458,154</b> | <b>95,064,790</b>   | <b>111,913,784</b> |
| <b>PER HEAD(d)—</b>                        |                   |                   |                   |                     |                    |
| Taxation .. .. .                           | £ s. d.<br>9 8 6  | £ s. d.<br>9 4 6  | £ s. d.<br>10 1 2 | £ s. d.<br>10 13 10 | £ s. d.<br>12 17 4 |
| Business Undertakings .. .. .              | 2 5 1             | 2 7 8             | 2 10 0            | 2 11 7              | 2 12 9             |
| Other .. .. .                              | 0 9 11            | 0 11 3            | 0 9 6             | 0 9 1               | 0 9 10             |
| <b>Total .. .. .</b>                       | <b>12 3 6</b>     | <b>12 3 5</b>     | <b>13 0 8</b>     | <b>13 14 6</b>      | <b>15 19 11</b>    |

(a) Excludes balance of interest on States' debts (payable by States).

(b) Excludes receipts in respect of State Officers' pensions.

(c) For Publicity and Research.

(d) Based on mean population of each financial year.

## Commonwealth Consolidated Revenue Fund—Expenditure.(a)

| Departments, &c.                         | 1935-36.   | 1936-37.   | 1937-38.   | 1938-39.   | 1939-40.    |
|--|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|
|  | £          | £          | £          | £          | £           |
| War and Repatriation (1914-19) Services— |            |            |            |            |             |
| Interest, Sinking Fund and Exchange ..   | 9,689,072  | 9,730,700  | 9,714,227  | 9,664,917  | 9,600,065   |
| War Pensions .. .. .                     | 7,549,671  | 7,910,366  | 8,094,623  | 8,227,487  | 8,147,076   |
| Repatriation .. .. .                     | 813,413    | 896,179    | 957,805    | 993,872    | 922,527     |
| Other .. .. .                            | 189,243    | 186,708    | 181,645    | 370,536    | 164,874     |
| Total, War, &c... ..                     | 18,241,399 | 18,723,953 | 18,948,300 | 19,256,812 | 18,834,542  |
| Defence and War (1939-40) Services—      |            |            |            |            |             |
| War (1939-40) Services .. ..             |            |            |            |            | 15,315,993  |
| Army (including Co-ordination) ..        | 1,592,868  | 2,023,372  | 2,060,732  | 3,324,650  | 3,770,504   |
| Navy .. .. .                             | 2,254,799  | 2,580,704  | 2,497,783  | 2,755,085  | 3,005,000   |
| Air .. .. .                              | 551,171    | 948,671    | 1,289,973  | 1,384,971  | 2,043,839   |
| Supply and Development (including        |            |            |            |            |             |
| Munitions) .. .. .                       | 414,682    | 436,966    | 523,550    | 596,653    | 748,415     |
| Governor-General .. .. .                 | 28,240     | 34,245     | 35,067     | 32,765     | 30,787      |
| Parliament .. .. .                       | 390,120    | 505,287    | 516,494    | 444,873    | 449,876     |
| Prime Minister .. .. .                   | 1,307,414  | 1,263,210  | 1,510,259  | 1,355,842  | 1,509,582   |
| External Affairs .. .. .                 | 70,339     | 69,104     | 58,263     | 70,168     | 117,782     |
| Treasury .. .. .                         | 2,277,647  | 1,958,085  | 2,403,259  | 2,582,362  | 2,663,351   |
| Attorney-General .. .. .                 | 239,702    | 252,158    | 263,319    | 281,497    | 276,567     |
| Interior .. .. .                         | 1,267,482  | 972,733    | 1,018,526  | 1,275,392  | 1,257,593   |
| Civil Aviation .. .. .                   | 102,271    | 275,563    | 129,043    | 328,150    | 494,060     |
| Trade and Customs .. .. .                | 878,762    | 891,292    | 993,503    | 1,064,124  | 1,032,890   |
| Health .. .. .                           | 268,921    | 241,443    | 402,003    | 338,155    | 289,174     |
| Commerce .. .. .                         | 978,937    | 1,122,242  | 1,149,511  | 1,208,927  | 1,170,951   |
| Postmaster-General .. .. .               | 12,523,878 | 13,203,176 | 13,964,473 | 15,028,233 | 15,285,709  |
| Railways .. .. .                         | 1,016,968  | 1,076,077  | 1,140,315  | 1,351,041  | 1,472,521   |
| Territories—                             |            |            |            |            |             |
| Australian Capital Territory .. ..       | 566,289    | 585,869    | 615,401    | 637,228    | 656,078     |
| Northern Territory .. .. .               | 190,832    | 262,113    | 381,931    | 402,899    | 332,804     |
| Papua .. .. .                            | 68,509     | 55,821     | 48,825     | 48,930     | 48,610      |
| New Guinea .. .. .                       | 3,308      | 13,431     | 5,058      | 5,532      | 5,988       |
| Norfolk Island .. .. .                   | 7,200      | 4,409      | 5,911      | 5,471      | 4,071       |
| Total, Territories .. .. .               | 836,138    | 921,643    | 1,057,126  | 1,099,960  | 1,097,551   |
| New Works .. .. .                        | 3,237,317  | 4,319,562  | 3,551,776  | 6,565,268  | 63,036,445  |
| Payments to or for States—               |            |            |            |            |             |
| Interest on States' Debts .. ..          | 7,584,912  | 7,584,912  | 7,584,912  | 7,584,912  | 7,584,912   |
| Sinking Fund on States' Debts ..         | 1,359,880  | 1,416,548  | 1,454,385  | 1,477,976  | 1,536,055   |
| Special Grants .. .. .                   | 2,750,000  | 2,430,000  | 2,350,000  | 2,020,000  | 2,020,000   |
| Other Grants .. .. .                     | 100,000    | 551,000    | 450,500    | 300,000    | 100,000     |
| Grants for Federal Aid Roads ..          | 2,778,899  | 3,039,530  | 4,149,492  | 4,266,556  | 4,455,845   |
| Total to or for States .. ..             | 14,573,691 | 15,021,990 | 15,989,289 | 15,649,444 | 15,696,812  |
| Invalid and Old-age Pensions .. ..       | 12,797,726 | 13,998,793 | 15,798,687 | 15,991,782 | 16,459,245  |
| Maternity Allowances .. .. .             | 335,552    | 370,150    | 400,004    | 436,614    | 416,964     |
| Relief to Primary Producers .. ..        | 2,449,597  | 327,000    | 262,166    | 2,014,713  | 2,509,266   |
| Grand Total(c) .. .. .                   | 78,635,621 | 81,531,419 | 85,963,421 | 94,437,481 | 108,985,409 |
| Per head of Population(d) .. ..          | £11 12 11  | £11 19 8   | £12 10 6   | £13 12 8   | £15 11 7    |

(a) Excludes balance of interest payable on States' Debt (recoverable from States).

(b) Excludes

Defence and War (1939-40) Services paid from Loan Fund.

(c) Omitting expenditure from excess

receipts (see table below).

(d) Based on mean population for each financial year.

## Commonwealth Consolidated Revenue Fund—Excess Receipts.

| Particulars.                      | 1935-36.  | 1936-37.  | 1937-38.  | 1938-39.  | 1939-40.  |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
|                                   | £         | £         | £         | £         | £         |
| Accumulated balance .. .. .       | 713,474   | 3,567,720 | 1,276,558 | 3,494,733 | 627,309   |
| Excess Receipts .. .. .           | 3,567,720 | 1,276,558 | 3,494,733 | 627,309   | 2,928,375 |
| Total for year .. .. .            | 4,281,194 | 4,844,278 | 4,771,291 | 4,122,042 | 3,555,684 |
| Expenditure from Excess Receipts— |           |           |           |           |           |
| Grants to States .. .. .          | 500,000   | 500,000   | ..        | ..        | ..        |
| Special Defence Provision .. ..   | ..        | 2,000,000 | ..        | 3,494,733 | 627,309   |
| Post Office Works Provision .. .. | ..        | ..        | 1,000,000 | ..        | ..        |
| Reduction of deficit .. .. .      | 213,474   | 1,067,720 | 276,558   | ..        | ..        |
| Total .. .. .                     | 713,474   | 3,567,720 | 1,276,558 | 3,494,733 | 627,309   |
| Accumulated balance .. .. .       | 3,567,720 | 1,276,558 | 3,494,733 | 627,309   | 2,928,375 |



## Commonwealth Expenditure from General Loan Fund.

| Particulars.   | 1935-36.    | 1936-37.   | 1937-38.  | 1938-39.    | 1939-40.   | Total to 30th June, 1940. |
|--|-------------|------------|-----------|-------------|------------|---------------------------|
| Defence and War (1939-40) Services—                      | £           | £          | £         | £           | £          | £                         |
| General Services, Pay, Maintenance—                      |             |            |           |             |            |                           |
| Army .. ..   | ..          | ..         | ..        | ..          | 3,064,388  | 3,064,388                 |
| Navy .. ..   | ..          | ..         | ..        | ..          | 2,412,811  | 2,412,811                 |
| Air .. ..  | ..          | ..         | ..        | ..          | 1,643,555  | 1,643,555                 |
| Supply and Development .. ..                             | ..          | ..         | ..        | ..          | 150,961    | 150,961                   |
| Works—   |             |            |           |             |            |                           |
| Army .. ..   | ..          | ..         | ..        | ..          | 7,528,521  | 7,528,521                 |
| Navy .. ..   | ..          | ..         | ..        | ..          | 3,432,106  | 3,432,106                 |
| Air .. ..  | ..          | ..         | ..        | ..          | 7,258,178  | 7,258,178                 |
| Supply and Development .. ..                             | ..          | ..         | ..        | ..          | 3,323,526  | 3,323,526                 |
| Total Defence and War (1939-40) Services ..              | ..          | ..         | ..        | ..          | 28,814,046 | 28,814,046                |
| Other Works—   |             |            |           |             |            |                           |
| Ships, Yards and Docks ..                                | Cr. 120,138 | ..         | ..        | Cr. 305,351 | Cr. 14,016 | 7,865,887                 |
| A.C.T. Works, Services and Acquisition of Land ..        | 152,837     | 100,583    | Cr. 5,514 | Cr. 6,768   | Cr. 10,752 | 8,490,800                 |
| Drill Halls, Stores, Barracks, &c. ..                    | 15,426      | Cr. 2,877  | 339,316   | 97,788      | ..         | 1,118,989                 |
| Arms, Armament and Ammunition ..                         | ..          | ..         | 109,180   | 530,342     | ..         | 954,822                   |
| Naval Bases, Depots, &c. ..                              | 2,833       | Cr. 12,308 | 106,970   | 82,248      | ..         | 1,703,834                 |
| Fleet Construction ..                                    | 116,881     | ..         | 451,350   | 521,556     | ..         | 1,608,303                 |
| Air Services—  |             |            |           |             |            |                           |
| R.A.A.F. .. ..   | 1,710       | ..         | 673,026   | 436,356     | ..         | 1,578,461                 |
| Civil Aviation .. ..                                     | 20,273      | 65         | 112,550   | ..          | ..         | 214,291                   |
| Buildings and Works, Munitions Production ..             | 11,211      | 8,530      | 273,945   | 243,994     | ..         | 1,729,539                 |
| Lighthouses and Lighthouse Services ..                   | 600         | Cr. 3,010  | Cr. 1,000 | Cr. 1,000   | Cr. 1,000  | 638,490                   |
| River Murray Waters Act ..                               | ..          | ..         | ..        | ..          | ..         | 2,105,625                 |
| Telegraph and Telephone Construction ..                  | 207,815     | 300,000    | ..        | ..          | 1,733,113  | 33,428,311                |
| Post Office Buildings and Land ..                        | 16,440      | 2,193      | Cr. 451   | Cr. 1,290   | 120,050    | 3,613,921                 |
| Radio .. ..  | ..          | ..         | ..        | ..          | 29,509     | 85,745                    |
| Health Services .. ..                                    | 8,467       | 460        | ..        | ..          | ..         | 103,113                   |
| Repatriation Services ..                                 | 33,478      | 1,434      | ..        | ..          | ..         | 47,026                    |
| Railways—  |             |            |           |             |            |                           |
| Trans-Australian ..                                      | 105,836     | 358,241    | Cr. 938   | Cr. 339     | Cr. 102    | 7,126,193                 |
| North Australian ..                                      | ..          | ..         | ..        | ..          | Cr. 184    | 1,597,375                 |
| Central Australian ..                                    | 2,639       | ..         | ..        | ..          | ..         | 2,480,596                 |
| Australian Capital Territory ..                          | ..          | ..         | ..        | ..          | ..         | 28,755                    |
| Grafton-South Brisbane ..                                | Cr. 1,500   | ..         | ..        | ..          | ..         | 2,446,005                 |
| Other Expenditure ..                                     | ..          | ..         | ..        | ..          | ..         | 200,000                   |
| War Service Homes (a) ..                                 | 10,614      | ..         | ..        | ..          | ..         | 7,329,523                 |
| London Offices .. ..                                     | ..          | ..         | ..        | ..          | ..         | 880,190                   |
| Acquisition of Properties not elsewhere included ..      | 2,728       | 6,645      | Cr. 263   | ..          | ..         | 137,648                   |
| Northern Territory ..                                    | 32,025      | 19,127     | Cr. 61    | ..          | Cr. 31     | 169,881                   |
| Papua and New Guinea ..                                  | 4,773       | ..         | ..        | ..          | ..         | 76,329                    |
| Assistance to States—                                    |             |            |           |             |            |                           |
| Roads .. ..  | ..          | ..         | ..        | ..          | ..         | 249,686                   |
| Forestry .. ..   | 223,000     | 35,000     | ..        | ..          | ..         | 322,000                   |
| Mining .. ..   | 144,750     | 64,000     | ..        | ..          | ..         | 233,750                   |
| Unemployment Relief ..                                   | 363,728     | 332,880    | Cr. 8,895 | Cr. 3,822   | Cr. 65,844 | 2,500,651                 |
| Miscellaneous .. ..                                      | 18,923      | ..         | ..        | ..          | ..         | 21,505                    |
| Total Other Works ..                                     | 1,375,349   | 1,210,963  | 2,049,215 | 1,593,714   | 1,790,743  | 91,137,254                |
| Other purposes—  |             |            |           |             |            |                           |
| Loans to Papua and New Guinea for Works ..               | ..          | ..         | ..        | ..          | ..         | 93,916                    |
| Immigration(b) .. ..                                     | ..          | ..         | ..        | ..          | ..         | 1,680,834                 |
| Subscription to Capital of Commonwealth Oil Refinery ..  | ..          | ..         | ..        | ..          | ..         | 343,751                   |
| Subscription to Capital of Amalgamated Wireless, Ltd. .. | ..          | ..         | ..        | ..          | ..         | 300,000                   |
| Advances for Wire and Wire-netting .. ..                 | ..          | ..         | ..        | ..          | ..         | 610,838                   |
| Wheat Bounty .. ..                                       | 43          | ..         | ..        | ..          | ..         | 3,429,571                 |
| Farmers' Debt Adjustment ..                              | 317,000     | 1,500,000  | 2,500,000 | 2,000,000   | 750,000    | 7,067,000                 |
| Total Loan Expenditure ..                                | 1,692,392   | 2,710,963  | 4,549,215 | 3,593,714   | 31,354,780 | 133,477,210               |

(a) In addition, £13,045,408 was expended from War Loan Fund prior to 1923-24.

(b) Exclusive of Loans to States for Immigration purposes.

**COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC DEBT, AND INTEREST PAYABLE  
AT 31st DECEMBER, 1940.**

| Debt on Account of—                 | Australia.    | London.       | New York.  | Total.        |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|------------|---------------|
| Commonwealth—                       | £(Aust.)      | £(Stg.)       | £(a)       | £(b)          |
| War (1914–19) .. .. .               | 171,853,455   | 90,744,381    | ..         | 262,597,836   |
| War (1939–40) .. .. .               | (c)75,329,398 | (d)17,910,000 | ..         | 93,239,398    |
| Works and other Purposes            | 37,551,517    | 65,529,396    | 15,876,718 | 118,957,631   |
| Total—Commonwealth Purposes .. .. . | 284,734,370   | 174,183,777   | 15,876,718 | 474,794,865   |
| Per head of population(e) ..        | £40 6 1       | £24 13 2      | £2 4 11    | £67 4 2       |
| State—                              |               |               |            |               |
| Debts of the States .. ..           | 506,963,436   | 384,149,928   | 27,867,862 | 918,981,226   |
| Per head of population(e) ..        | £72 0 0       | £54 11 2      | £3 19 2    | £130 10 4     |
| Total Public Debt .. ..             | 791,697,806   | 558,333,705   | 43,744,580 | 1,393,776,091 |
| Per head of population ..           | £112 1 5      | £79 0 9       | £6 3 10    | £197 6 0      |

**INTEREST PAYABLE.**

|                                     |            |               |           |            |
|-------------------------------------|------------|---------------|-----------|------------|
| Commonwealth—                       | £(Aust.)   | £(Stg.)       | £(a)      | £(f)       |
| War (1914–19) .. .. .               | 6,822,230  | (g) 426,008   | ..        | 7,248,238  |
| War (1939–40) .. .. .               | 2,262,919  | 592,400       | ..        | 2,855,319  |
| Works and other Purposes            | 1,139,131  | 2,723,763     | 775,930   | 4,638,824  |
| Total—Commonwealth Purposes .. .. . | 10,224,280 | (g) 3,742,171 | 775,930   | 14,742,381 |
| Average Rate per cent.(h) ..        | £3 13 2    | (g) £3 19 4   | £4 17 9   | £3 15 8    |
| State—                              |            |               |           |            |
| Debts of the States .. ..           | 17,849,665 | 14,958,366    | 1,417,184 | 34,225,215 |
| Average Rate per cent. ..           | £3 10 5    | £3 17 11      | £5 1 8    | £3 14 6    |
| Grand Total .. .. .                 | 28,073,945 | (g)18,700,537 | 2,193,114 | 48,967,596 |
| Average Rate per cent.(h) ..        | £3 11 5    | (g) £3 18 2   | £5 0 3    | £3 14 10   |

(a) Payable in terms of dollars. For the purpose of this table, dollars have been arbitrarily converted on the basis of \$4.8665 to £ (Stg.).

(b) The total "face" or "book" values of the Public Debt of the Commonwealth and States leaving out of account currency changes since the loans were floated.

(c) Includes £5,194,960 Interest Free Loans (Citizens' National Emergency Loans) and £13,241,760 War Savings Certificates.

(d) Includes £100,000 Interest Free Loans.

(e) Based on preliminary estimated aggregate population of the Commonwealth (including A.C.T. and N.T.) and of the six States at 31st December, 1940.

(f) Nominal amount (and average rate) of interest payable—takes no account of exchange.

(g) Excludes suspended interest £3,919,774 on War Debt (£79,724,221) due to British Government.

(h) Interest Free Loans excluded when calculating rate.

### AVERAGE VALUE OF AUSTRALIAN NOTES HELD BY THE BANKS AND BY THE PUBLIC.

| Particulars.          | Held by Banks. | Held by Public. | Total Note Issue. | Reserve.       |                                  |
|-----------------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------------|----------------------------------|
|                       |                |                 |                   | Amount.<br>(a) | Percentage on total circulation. |
|                       | £              | £               | £                 | £'000.         | %                                |
| 1935 (b) .. .. .      | 20,119,208     | 27,449,147      | 47,568,355        | 15,922         | 33.5                             |
| 1936 (b) .. .. .      | 18,465,121     | 28,972,667      | 47,437,788        | (c) 16,001     | 33.7                             |
| 1937 (b) .. .. .      | 17,194,775     | 31,008,466      | 48,203,241        | (d) 16,010     | 33.2                             |
| 1938 (b) .. .. .      | 16,700,228     | 32,706,922      | 49,407,150        | (d) 16,009     | 32.4                             |
| 1939 (b) .. .. .      | 14,403,326     | 35,186,843      | 49,590,169        | (d) 16,030     | 32.4                             |
| 1940 (e)—July .. .. . | 14,191,187     | 47,428,257      | 61,619,444        | (d) 16,082     | 26.1                             |
| August .. .. .        | 13,969,251     | 47,650,193      | 61,619,444        | (d) 16,081     | 26.1                             |
| September .. .. .     | 14,090,146     | 47,529,298      | 61,619,444        | (d) 16,082     | 26.1                             |
| October .. .. .       | 14,282,014     | 47,337,430      | 61,619,444        | (d) 16,082     | 26.1                             |
| November .. .. .      | 13,684,935     | 47,934,509      | 61,619,444        | (d) 16,705     | 27.1                             |
| December .. .. .      | 16,906,279     | 51,213,165      | 68,119,444        | (d) 17,705     | 26.0                             |

(a) Includes English sterling. (b) Average of twelve monthly statements. (c) Average of published figures including values expressed in £'s gold, £'s sterling and £'s Australian. (d) £'s Australian. (e) On last Monday in each month.

### COMMONWEALTH NOTES OUTSTANDING AT UNDERMENTIONED DATES.

| Denomination.             | 28th December, 1936. | 27th December, 1937. | 26th December, 1938. | 25th December, 1939. | 30th December, 1940. |
|---------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
|                           | £                    | £                    | £                    | £                    | £                    |
| 10s. .. .. .              | 4,444,330            | 4,504,241            | 4,635,058            | 4,806,450            | 5,120,126            |
| £1 .. .. .                | 21,509,608           | 23,303,545           | 24,203,091           | 25,805,205           | 29,551,083           |
| £5 .. .. .                | 11,956,965           | 12,704,180           | 13,565,745           | 15,254,440           | 18,947,665           |
| £10 .. .. .               | 5,031,830            | 5,232,260            | 5,567,400            | 6,612,710            | 8,819,140            |
| £20 .. .. .               | 215,900              | 136,400              | 112,480              | 95,960               | 78,280               |
| £50 .. .. .               | 1,204,650            | 1,199,350            | 1,273,250            | 1,562,550            | 1,963,150            |
| £100 .. .. .              | 2,159,700            | 2,094,200            | 2,254,100            | 2,614,900            | 3,060,000            |
| £1,000 .. .. .            | 4,016,000            | 4,860,000            | 1,419,000            | 523,000              | 580,000              |
| Held by banks .. .. .     | 15,751,018           | 15,624,058           | 13,975,383           | 13,008,630           | 16,906,279           |
| Held by public .. .. .    | 34,787,955           | 38,410,118           | 39,054,741           | 44,266,585           | 51,213,165           |
| Total .. .. .             | 50,538,973           | 54,034,176           | 53,030,124           | 57,275,215           | 68,119,444           |
| Reserve (a)               | Gold .. .. .         | 315,249              | 320,812              | 322,668              | 341,212              |
|                           | English .. .. .      | 15,687,141           | 15,687,142           | 15,688,392           | 17,630,183           |
|                           | Sterling .. .. .     | 16,002,390           | 16,007,954           | 16,011,060           | 17,705,047           |
|                           | Total .. .. .        | 31.66                | 29.63                | 30.19                | 27.99                |
| Percentage on circulation |                      | 31.66                | 29.63                | 30.19                | 27.99                |

(a) Valued in Australian Currency.

### OLD-AGE AND INVALID PENSIONS AT 30th JUNE, 1940.

| State.                    | Number of Pensioners at 30.6.40. |                 |                            | Number per 10,000 of Population. |               | Average Fortnightly Pension at 30.6.40. |               | Pensions paid during Year. (a) |                          |
|---------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------|---|---------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|
|                           | Old-age.<br>(b)                  | Invalid.<br>(b) | Total Old-age and Invalid. | Old-age.                         | Inva-<br>lid. | Old-age.                                | Inva-<br>lid. | Amount.<br>£                   | Per head of Popn.<br>(c) |
|                           |                                  |                 |                            |                                  |               |   |               |                                |                          |
| New South Wales (d)       | 108,165                          | 26,606          | 134,771                    | 387                              | 95            | s. d. 38 6                              | s. d. 39 1    | 6,627,718                      | 47 8                     |
| Victoria .. .. .          | 76,081                           | 12,739          | 88,820                     | 401                              | 67            | 38 6                                    | 38 9          | 4,470,057                      | 47 4                     |
| Queensland .. .. .        | 34,159                           | 8,677           | 42,836                     | 334                              | 85            | 38 6                                    | 38 9          | 2,138,230                      | 42 0                     |
| South Australia (e)       | 24,853                           | 4,668           | 29,521                     | 410                              | 77            | 37 8                                    | 38 6          | 1,453,840                      | 48 2                     |
| Western Australia .. .. . | 19,024                           | 3,454           | 22,478                     | 407                              | 74            | 38 2                                    | 38 9          | 1,112,580                      | 47 8                     |
| Tasmania .. .. .          | 10,614                           | 2,552           | 13,166                     | 442                              | 106           | 38 3                                    | 38 7          | 656,820                        | 55 0                     |
| Total .. .. .             | 272,896                          | 58,696          | 331,592                    | 388                              | 84            | 38 5                                    | 38 10         | 16,459,245                     | 47 1                     |

(a) Includes amounts paid to Benevolent Asylums and Hospitals for maintenance of pensioners and to pensioner inmates of these institutions. (b) During 1939-40 all invalid pensions in force were specially reviewed, and at 30th June, 1940, all those pensioners who had become qualified for old-age pensions by age and residence were transferred to the old-age pension list. (c) Mean population for the financial year. (d) Includes A.C.T. (e) Includes N.T.



## OLD-AGE AND INVALID PENSIONS SUMMARY.

| Year ended<br>30th June— | Number of Pensioners. |          |        | Number of Pensioners<br>in each 10,000 of<br>Population.(a) |          | Pensions<br>Payments<br>during<br>Year.<br>(b) | Average<br>Fortnightly<br>Pension. |            |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|----------|--------|---|----------|--|------------------------------------|------------|
|                          | Old-age.              | Invalid. | Total. | Old-age.  | Invalid. |  |                                    |            |
|                          |                       |          |        |   |          |  |                                    |            |
| 1910                     | ..                    | 65,492   | (c)    | 65,492  | 150      | (c)  | £ 1,433,585                        | s. d. 19 1 |
| 1911                     | ..                    | 75,502   | 7,451  | 82,953  | 168      | 17   | 1,847,440                          | 19 1       |
| 1912                     | ..                    | 79,071   | 10,763 | 89,834  | 170      | 23   | 2,149,659                          | 19 0       |
| 1913                     | ..                    | 82,943   | 13,739 | 96,682  | 172      | 29   | 2,301,675                          | 19 6       |
| 1914                     | ..                    | 87,780   | 16,865 | 104,645   | 177      | 34   | 2,592,201                          | 19 5       |
| 1915                     | ..                    | 90,892   | 20,417 | 111,309   | 182      | 41   | 2,718,939                          | 19 5       |
| 1916                     | ..                    | 91,783   | 23,439 | 115,222   | 186      | 47   | 2,891,597                          | 19 4       |
| 1917                     | ..                    | 93,672   | 26,781 | 120,453   | 190      | 54   | 3,554,135                          | 24 3       |
| 1918                     | ..                    | 95,387   | 29,912 | 125,299   | 190      | 59   | 3,793,037                          | 24 3       |
| 1919                     | ..                    | 95,969   | 31,999 | 127,968   | 185      | 62   | 3,936,626                          | 24 2       |
| 1920                     | ..                    | 99,170   | 35,231 | 134,401   | 185      | 66   | 4,484,304                          | 29 1       |
| 1921                     | ..                    | 102,415  | 37,981 | 140,396   | 188      | 69   | 5,150,241                          | 28 9       |
| 1922                     | ..                    | 105,096  | 39,019 | 144,115   | 189      | 70   | 5,380,034                          | 28 9       |
| 1923                     | ..                    | 107,389  | 40,064 | 147,453   | 189      | 70   | 5,424,016                          | 28 9       |
| 1924                     | ..                    | 113,054  | 42,617 | 155,671   | 195      | 73   | 6,523,381                          | 33 9       |
| 1925                     | ..                    | 117,516  | 44,840 | 162,356   | 198      | 75   | 6,992,905                          | 33 8       |
| 1926                     | ..                    | 126,918  | 48,803 | 175,721   | 210      | 80   | 8,252,387                          | 38 7       |
| 1927                     | ..                    | 133,234  | 52,399 | 185,633   | 215      | 85   | 9,144,689                          | 38 6       |
| 1928                     | ..                    | 139,367  | 55,517 | 194,884   | 221      | 88   | 9,790,346                          | 38 5       |
| 1929                     | ..                    | 146,393  | 59,148 | 204,541   | 227      | 93   | 10,124,239                         | 38 5       |
| 1930                     | ..                    | 155,196  | 63,304 | 218,500   | 240      | 93   | 10,791,325                         | 38 5       |
| 1931                     | ..                    | 172,177  | 68,343 | 240,520   | 264      | 104  | 11,710,953                         | 38 4       |
| 1932                     | ..                    | 183,317  | 72,292 | 255,609   | 279      | 110  | 11,125,956                         | 33 3       |
| 1933                     | ..                    | 176,425  | 72,742 | 249,167   | 266      | 110  | 10,771,061                         | 31 10      |
| 1934                     | ..                    | 187,453  | 73,212 | 260,665   | 281      | 109  | 10,963,090                         | 33 8       |
| 1935                     | ..                    | 197,126  | 76,852 | 273,978   | 293      | 114  | 11,762,030                         | 33 7       |
| 1936                     | ..                    | 206,748  | 80,487 | 287,235   | 305      | 119  | 12,797,726                         | 34 8       |
| 1937                     | ..                    | 215,690  | 83,396 | 299,086   | 316      | 122  | 13,998,793                         | 36 8       |
| 1938                     | ..                    | 224,154  | 86,096 | 310,250   | 325      | 125  | 15,798,687                         | 38 6       |
| 1939                     | ..                    | 232,836  | 88,812 | 321,648   | 335      | 128  | 15,991,782                         | 38 5       |
| 1940(d)                  | ..                    | 272,896  | 58,696 | 331,592   | 388      | 84   | 16,459,245                         | 38 6       |

(a) At 30th June. (b) Includes payments to Benevolent Asylums and Hospitals for maintenance of pensioners, and to pensioner inmates of these institutions. (c) Invalid pension payments commenced 15th December, 1910. (d) See note (b) to preceding table.

## WAR (1914-19) PENSIONS AT 30th JUNE, 1940.

| Place.             | NUMBER OF WAR PENSIONERS.              |  |   |         | AVERAGE FORTNIGHTLY<br>RATE OF PENSIONS. |   |                        |  |
|--------------------|--|--|---|---------|--|---|------------------------|--|
|                    | Incapacitated<br>Members of<br>Forces. | Dependants of<br>Deceased<br>Members of<br>Forces. | Dependants of<br>Incapacitated<br>Members of<br>Forces. | Total.  | Incapacitated<br>Members of<br>Forces.   | Dependants of<br>Deceased and<br>Incapacitated<br>Members of<br>Forces. | All War<br>Pensioners. |  |
|                    |  |  |   |         |  |   |                        |  |
|                    | No.                                    | No.  | No.   | No.     | £ s. d.                                  | £ s. d.   | £ s. d.                |  |
| New South Wales    | 25,671                                 | 8,366  | 43,310  | 77,347  | 2 1 4                                    | 0 17 9  | 1 5 7                  |  |
| Victoria ..        | 25,334                                 | 8,058  | 44,720  | 78,112  | 1 15 10                                  | 0 15 11   | 1 2 5                  |  |
| Queensland ..      | 8,740                                  | 2,518  | 15,476  | 26,734  | 2 2 5                                    | 0 16 4  | 1 4 10                 |  |
| South Australia .. | 4,536                                  | 2,090  | 7,862   | 14,488  | 2 1 5                                    | 0 19 0  | 1 6 0                  |  |
| Western Australia  | 6,931                                  | 2,165  | 12,353  | 21,449  | 1 19 3                                   | 0 16 9  | 1 4 0                  |  |
| Tasmania ..        | 3,348                                  | 1,121  | 7,260   | 11,729  | 2 9 7                                    | 0 15 6  | 1 5 3                  |  |
| United Kingdom ..  | 1,581                                  | 1,927  | 2,663   | 6,171   | 2 5 9                                    | 1 6 10  | 1 11 8                 |  |
| South Africa ..    | 49                                     | 25   | 60  | 134     | 1 18 0                                   | 1 4 3   | 1 9 3                  |  |
| New Zealand ..     | 252                                    | 115  | 304   | 671     | 1 16 11                                  | 1 1 8   | 1 7 5                  |  |
| Elsewhere ..       | 20                                     | 3  | 19  | 42      | 1 18 3                                   | 0 16 10   | 1 7 1                  |  |
| Total ..           | 76,462                                 | 26,388   | 134,027   | 236,877 | 1 19 11                                  | 0 17 1  | 1 4 6                  |  |

## SERVICE PENSIONS AT 30th JUNE, 1940.

| Particulars.                           | N.S.W.  | Vic.    | Q'land. | S. Aust. | W. Aust. | Tas.    | Aust.   |
|--|---------|---------|---------|----------|----------|---------|---------|
|  | No.     | No.     | No.     | No.      | No.      | No.     | No.     |
| Pensions Current—                      |         |         |         |          |          |         |         |
| Old-age (Members of Forces) ..         | 1,436   | 1,130   | 522     | 320      | 390      | 60      | 3,858   |
| Permanently Unemployable—              |         |         |         |          |          |         |         |
| Members of Forces                      | 941     | 813     | 790     | 511      | 439      | 212     | 3,706   |
| Dependants ..                          | 1,188   | 1,148   | 940     | 659      | 514      | 365     | 4,814   |
| Sufferers from Pulmonary Tuberculosis— |         |         |         |          |          |         |         |
| Members of Forces                      | 290     | 137     | 65      | 56       | 62       | 13      | 693     |
| Dependants ..                          | 432     | 241     | 103     | 111      | 84       | 28      | 999     |
| Total 1939-40 ..                       | 4,287   | 3,469   | 2,420   | 1,657    | 1,489    | 678     | 14,000  |
| 1938-39 ..                             | 3,872   | 3,206   | 2,367   | 1,603    | 1,454    | 606     | 13,108  |
| Average Fortnightly Pensions—          | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d.  | £ s. d.  | £ s. d. | £ s. d. |
| Members of Forces ..                   | 1 12 10 | 1 13 2  | 1 12 6  | 1 13 2   | 1 12 6   | 1 11 3  | 1 12 9  |
| Dependants ..                          | 0 18 7  | 0 18 4  | 0 16 11 | 0 17 10  | 0 19 0   | 0 15 3  | 0 17 11 |
| All Pensioners ..                      | 1 7 5   | 1 7 3   | 1 5 9   | 1 6 0    | 1 7 1    | 1 2 0   | 1 6 7   |

## AUSTRALIAN WAR (1914-19) AND SERVICE PENSIONS EXPENDITURE.

## (i) WAR PENSIONS.

| Place of Payment.    | 1934-35.  | 1935-36.  | 1936-37.  | 1937-38.  | 1938-39.  | 1939-40.  |
|----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
|                      | £         | £         | £         | £         | £         | £         |
| New South Wales ..   | 2,534,888 | 2,592,985 | 2,634,894 | 2,661,271 | 2,674,462 | 2,618,564 |
| Victoria ..          | 2,238,734 | 2,276,024 | 2,326,414 | 2,334,448 | 2,353,107 | 2,317,417 |
| Queensland ..        | 807,070   | 825,390   | 857,139   | 874,872   | 890,710   | 873,635   |
| South Australia ..   | 445,820   | 464,536   | 481,068   | 493,255   | 497,230   | 497,743   |
| Western Australia .. | 651,797   | 662,932   | 680,272   | 689,528   | 696,833   | 685,019   |
| Tasmania ..          | 361,967   | 371,568   | 387,511   | 397,199   | 403,747   | 404,154   |
| Elsewhere ..         | 319,781   | 326,793   | 315,791   | 310,634   | 303,200   | 285,714   |
| Total ..             | 7,360,057 | 7,520,228 | 7,683,089 | 7,761,207 | 7,819,289 | 7,682,246 |

## (ii) SERVICE PENSIONS.

| Place of Payment.    | 1935-36. (a) | 1936-37. | 1937-38. | 1938-39. | 1939-40. |
|----------------------|--------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
|                      | £            | £        | £        | £        | £        |
| New South Wales ..   | 10,450       | 66,565   | 96,327   | 118,443  | 148,599  |
| Victoria ..          | 7,557        | 54,127   | 84,365   | 103,292  | 118,577  |
| Queensland ..        | 3,884        | 35,465   | 57,543   | 72,717   | 80,364   |
| South Australia ..   | 6,330        | 37,277   | 45,028   | 51,474   | 54,377   |
| Western Australia .. | 2,522        | 23,549   | 36,344   | 46,044   | 51,651   |
| Tasmania ..          | 392          | 4,728    | 10,254   | 15,157   | 18,695   |
| Elsewhere ..         | ..           | 3        | 10       | ..       | ..       |
| Total ..             | 31,135       | 221,714  | 329,871  | 407,127  | 472,263  |

(a) Portion of year.

## COMMONWEALTH MATERNITY ALLOWANCES.

## Number of Claims Paid.

(The Maternity Allowance Act came into force on 10th October, 1912.)

| Year ended 30th June— | N.S.W. (a) | Vic.    | Q'land. | S.A.    | W.A.    | Tas.    | N.T.  | Aust.     |
|-----------------------|------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-------|-----------|
|                       | No.        | No.     | No.     | No.     | No.     | No.     | No.   | No.       |
| 1934 ..               | 29,960     | 19,499  | 10,780  | 6,783   | 4,951   | 3,788   | 20    | 75,781    |
| 1935 ..               | 30,354     | 19,940  | 10,940  | 6,409   | 5,035   | 3,725   | 39    | 76,442    |
| 1936 ..               | 30,463     | 19,672  | 11,640  | 6,613   | 4,850   | 3,689   | 26    | 76,953    |
| 1937 ..               | 31,086     | 20,350  | 12,170  | 6,854   | 4,731   | 4,018   | 45    | 79,254    |
| 1938 ..               | 30,440     | 20,160  | 12,660  | 6,656   | 5,026   | 4,029   | 29    | 79,000    |
| 1939 ..               | 30,860     | 20,819  | 12,880  | 7,162   | 5,213   | 3,940   | 42    | 80,916    |
| 1940 ..               | 29,700     | 19,660  | 12,290  | 7,009   | 4,774   | 3,883   | 36    | 77,352    |
| Total since 10.10.12  | 1,268,946  | 833,944 | 473,142 | 277,929 | 202,605 | 136,264 | 1,064 | 3,193,894 |

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

## COMMONWEALTH INCOME TAX, 1938-39.(a)

| Grade of Taxable Income.  | Number of Taxpayers. | Tax Assessed. | Amount per Taxpayer. | Percentage on Total Tax Assessed. |
|---------------------------|----------------------|---------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Individuals—              | No.                  | £             | £ s. d.              | %                                 |
| Under £201 .. .. .        | 199,482              | 225,744       | 1 2 8                | 2.0                               |
| £201 to £500 .. .. .      | 69,454               | 414,564       | 5 19 5               | 3.6                               |
| £501 to £1,000 .. .. .    | 38,303               | 779,325       | 20 6 11              | 6.7                               |
| £1,001 and over .. .. .   | 27,525               | 5,839,145     | 212 2 11             | 50.8                              |
| Total Individuals .. .. . | 334,764              | 7,258,778     | 21 13 8              | 63.1                              |
| Companies .. .. .         | 12,301               | 4,238,699     | 344 11 8             | 36.9                              |
| GRAND TOTAL .. .. .       | ..                   | 11,497,477    | ..                   | 100.0                             |

(a) Assessed on income for year 1937-38.

## COMMONWEALTH LAND TAX ASSESSMENTS.

| Heading.  | Assessment year— |             |             |             |             |
|---|------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|   | 1934-35.         | 1935-36.    | 1936-37.    | 1937-38.    | 1938-39.    |
| NUMBER OF TAXPAYERS—                            | No.              | No.         | No.         | No.         | No.         |
| Resident Owners .. .. .                         | 20,858           | 20,665      | 20,742      | 21,028      | 20,956      |
| Absentee Owners .. .. .                         | 2,511            | 2,528       | 2,555       | 2,584       | 2,559       |
| TOTAL .. .. .                                   | 23,369           | 23,193      | 23,297      | 23,612      | 23,515      |
| UNIMPROVED VALUE OF LAND AS RETURNED BY OWNERS— | £                | £           | £           | £           | £           |
| Resident .. .. .                                | 217,335,439      | 217,603,579 | 221,124,954 | 225,774,692 | 223,207,419 |
| Absentee .. .. .                                | 2,046,734        | 1,928,483   | 1,985,918   | 1,999,905   | 2,047,766   |
| TOTAL .. .. .                                   | 219,382,173      | 219,532,062 | 223,110,872 | 227,774,597 | 230,255,185 |
| UNIMPROVED VALUE AS ASCERTAINED BY DEPARTMENT—  |                  |             |             |             |             |
| Resident .. .. .                                | 250,561,965      | 248,008,473 | 256,376,660 | 257,346,942 | 257,277,026 |
| Absentee .. .. .                                | 2,286,466        | 2,115,404   | 2,156,519   | 2,167,995   | 2,196,814   |
| TOTAL .. .. .                                   | 252,848,431      | 250,123,877 | 258,533,179 | 259,514,937 | 259,473,840 |
| TAX ASSESSED ON—                                |                  |             |             |             |             |
| Urban Land—Resident Owners ..                   | 804,382          | 821,038     | 909,467     | 924,749     | 1,045,591   |
| Absentee Owners .. .. .                         | 9,147            | 8,592       | 9,760       | 10,082      | 10,673      |
| TOTAL .. .. .                                   | 813,529          | 829,630     | 919,227     | 934,831     | 1,056,264   |
| Rural Land—Resident Owners ..                   | 316,218          | 313,268     | 333,903     | 339,487     | 372,713     |
| Absentee Owners .. .. .                         | 2,230            | 2,483       | 2,704       | 3,267       | 3,342       |
| TOTAL .. .. .                                   | 318,448          | 315,751     | 336,607     | 342,754     | 376,055     |
| All Land—Resident Owners ..                     | 1,120,600        | 1,134,306   | 1,243,370   | 1,264,236   | 1,418,304   |
| Absentee Owners .. .. .                         | 11,377           | 11,075      | 12,464      | 13,349      | 14,015      |
| TOTAL .. .. .                                   | 1,131,977        | 1,145,381   | 1,255,834   | 1,277,585   | 1,432,319   |
| AREA OF RURAL LAND ASSESSED ac.                 | 558,172.616      | 557,424.176 | 557,109.422 | 557,636.000 | 556,695.994 |
| ASSESSED TAX ON RURAL LAND per ac.              | 1.314d.          | 1.320d.     | 1.415d.     | 1.427d.     | 1.592d.     |

(a) Exclusive of Crown Leaseholds.

## COMMONWEALTH ESTATE DUTY, 1938-39.

| Grade of Dutiable Value. | Number of Estates.(a) | Gross Value as Assessed. | Dutiable Value. | Net Duty Payable. |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| £                        | No.                   | £                        | £               | £                 |
| 1,001- 2,000 .. .. .     | 3,731                 | 6,683,967                | 5,342,885       | 40,980            |
| 2,001- 3,000 .. .. .     | 1,782                 | 5,377,199                | 4,359,583       | 40,295            |
| 3,001- 4,000 .. .. .     | 972                   | 4,081,453                | 3,411,678       | 37,962            |
| 4,001- 5,000 .. .. .     | 625                   | 3,348,719                | 2,810,183       | 33,663            |
| 5,001-10,000 .. .. .     | 1,462                 | 12,416,338               | 10,207,774      | 166,445           |
| 10,001-20,000 .. .. .    | 729                   | 11,714,957               | 9,812,802       | 262,732           |
| 20,001-50,000 .. .. .    | 302                   | 10,959,658               | 9,017,187       | 478,396           |
| 50,001 and over .. .. .  | 78                    | 11,117,059               | 8,106,674       | 941,810           |
| Total .. .. .            | 9,681                 | 65,699,350               | 53,068,766      | 2,002,283         |

(a) Number of estates assessed during year 1938-39.



**COMMONWEALTH SALES TAX.—Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods and Sales Tax payable in each month.—Australia.**

| Month.                      | 1939-40.                                  |                       |                    | 1940-41.(a)                               |                       |                    |
|-----------------------------|---|-----------------------|--------------------|---|-----------------------|--------------------|
|                             | Net Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods.(b) | Net Taxable Sales.(b) | Sales Tax Payable. | Net Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods.(b) | Net Taxable Sales.(b) | Sales Tax Payable. |
|                             | £'000.                                    | £'000.                | £'000.             | £'000.                                    | £'000.                | £'000.             |
| July .. .. .                | 36,608                                    | 14,718                | 736                | 40,188                                    | 14,763                | 1,226              |
| August .. .. .              | 40,911                                    | 16,690                | 834                | 41,604                                    | 16,045                | 1,332              |
| September .. .. .           | 48,530                                    | 20,923                | 1,172              | 43,900                                    | 16,500                | 1,374              |
| Total, September Quarter .. | 126,049                                   | 52,331                | 2,742              | 125,692                                   | 47,308                | 3,932              |
| October .. .. .             | 44,800                                    | 19,201                | 1,153              | ..  | ..                    | ..                 |
| November .. .. .            | 46,541                                    | 18,706                | 1,122              | ..  | ..                    | ..                 |
| December(a) .. .. .         | 44,272                                    | 18,219                | 1,091              | ..  | ..                    | ..                 |
| Total, December Quarter (a) | 135,613                                   | 56,126                | 3,366              | ..  | ..                    | ..                 |
| January(a) .. .. .          | 38,798                                    | 15,336                | 921                | ..  | ..                    | ..                 |
| February(a) .. .. .         | 41,034                                    | 17,362                | 1,040              | ..  | ..                    | ..                 |
| March (a) .. .. .           | 44,278                                    | 17,638                | 1,059              | ..  | ..                    | ..                 |
| Total, March Quarter(a) ..  | 124,110                                   | 50,336                | 3,020              | ..  | ..                    | ..                 |
| April(a) .. .. .            | 45,559                                    | 19,177                | 1,152              | ..  | ..                    | ..                 |
| May(a) .. .. .              | 42,883                                    | 16,204                | 1,282              | ..  | ..                    | ..                 |
| June(a) .. .. .             | 36,511                                    | 13,730                | 1,142              | ..  | ..                    | ..                 |
| Total, June Quarter(a) ..   | 124,953                                   | 49,111                | 3,576              | ..  | ..                    | ..                 |
| Total for Year(a) ..        | 510,725                                   | 207,904               | 12,704             | ..  | ..                    | ..                 |

(a) Subject to revision. These figures, while not final, are not subject to the large adjustments necessitated in respect of " preliminary " figures in previous issues. (b) Includes imports taxable at Customs House.

**COMMONWEALTH SALES TAX.—Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods and Sales Tax payable.—Australia.**

| Commodity Group.                               | 1939-40 (Three months), July to September.(a) |                       |                    | 1940-41 (Three months), July to September.(b) |                       |                       |
|--|---|-----------------------|--------------------|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|
|  | Net Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods.(c)     | Net Taxable Sales.(c) | Sales Tax Payable. | Net Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods.(c)     | Net Taxable Sales.(c) | Sales Tax Payable.(d) |
|  | £'000.  | £'000.                | £'000.             | £'000.  | £'000.                | £'000.                |
| 1. Ales, Spirits and Beverages                 | 5,184   | 2,134                 | 109                | 5,251   | 1,601                 | 133                   |
| 2. Tobacco and preparations thereof .. .. .    | 7,365   | ..                    | ..                 | 7,669   | ..                    | ..                    |
| 3. Sugar .. .. .                               | 665   | ..                    | ..                 | 951   | ..                    | ..                    |
| 4. Agricultural Products and Groceries .. .. . | 20,128  | 4,883                 | 256                | 16,162  | 3,670                 | 306                   |
| 5. Textiles and Attire .. .. .                 | 16,223  | 14,098                | 741                | 14,690  | 12,226                | 1,018                 |
| 6. Metals and Machinery .. .. .                | 26,227  | 11,175                | 585                | 21,337  | 8,327                 | 694                   |
| 7. Oils, Paints and Varnishes .. .. .          | 9,601   | 843                   | 44                 | 8,862   | 434                   | 36                    |
| 8. Earthenware, etc. .. .. .                   | 2,390   | 790                   | 42                 | 2,004   | 702                   | 59                    |
| 9. Drugs and Chemicals .. .. .                 | 3,453   | 1,057                 | 56                 | 2,971   | 845                   | 70                    |
| 10. Wood, Wicker and Cane .. .. .              | 4,443   | 1,633                 | 85                 | 3,598   | 1,316                 | 110                   |
| 11. Jewellery and Fancy Goods .. .. .          | 2,024   | 1,484                 | 78                 | 2,762   | 1,178                 | 98                    |
| 12. Leather and Rubber .. .. .                 | 3,281   | 1,340                 | 71                 | 2,735   | 934                   | 78                    |
| 13. Paper and Stationery .. .. .               | 4,036   | 2,594                 | 136                | 3,771   | 2,251                 | 187                   |
| 14. Vehicles .. .. .                           | 6,883   | 5,857                 | 306                | 3,381   | 2,395                 | 200                   |
| 15. Musical Instruments .. .. .                | 132   | 99                    | 5                  | 77  | 54                    | 5                     |
| 16. Miscellaneous (e) .. .. .                  | 2,632   | 1,298                 | 67                 | 2,596   | 1,201                 | 100                   |
| 16A. Unclassified (f) .. .. .                  | 9,625   | 2,955                 | 156                | 10,393  | 3,635                 | 303                   |
| 17. Unallotted .. .. .                         | 1,757   | 91                    | 5                  | 1,399   | 72                    | 6                     |
| Total .. .. .                                  | 126,049                                       | 52,331                | 2,742              | 110,609                                       | 40,841                | 3,403                 |
| States—  |   |                       |                    |   |                       |                       |
| New South Wales .. .. .                        | 51,501  | 22,148                | 1,161              | 46,074  | 18,793                | 1,566                 |
| Victoria .. .. .                               | 38,745  | 16,762                | 878                | 35,533  | 13,127                | 1,094                 |
| Queensland .. .. .                             | 16,806  | 6,281                 | 329                | 12,486  | 3,697                 | 308                   |
| South Australia .. .. .                        | 9,556   | 3,693                 | 194                | 8,335   | 2,650                 | 221                   |
| Western Australia .. .. .                      | 7,196   | 2,656                 | 139                | 5,994   | 1,910                 | 159                   |
| Tasmania .. .. .                               | 2,236   | 787                   | 41                 | 2,149   | 652                   | 54                    |
| Northern Territory .. .. .                     | 9   | 4                     | ..                 | 38  | 12                    | 1                     |
| Total .. .. .                                  | 126,049                                       | 52,331                | 2,742              | 110,609                                       | 40,841                | 3,403                 |

(a) Final figures. For preliminary figures see Quarterly Summary No. 158. It has not, as yet, been possible to dissect the particulars shown in the previous table for the months of October, 1939 to September, 1940, into the various commodity groups. (b) Preliminary figures. For later totals see previous table. (c) Includes imports taxable at Customs House. (d) Figures for 1940-41 exclude sales on which tax was paid subsequently to September, 1940. (e) Includes those commodities included in Customs Tariff Schedule 1933-36—Division 16. (f) Relates to returns covering several classes of commodities details for which are not individually specified.

## (B.) STATE FINANCE.

NOTE.—In respect of New South Wales the Consolidated Revenue Fund, the Unemployment Relief Fund, the Social Services Fund and Business Undertakings—Railways, Tramways and Omnibuses, Sydney Harbour Trust Section of Maritime Services Board, and Road Transport and Traffic Fund—included in the Annual Budget Papers are represented in the following tables. Particulars for other States are restricted to the transactions of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

## STATE REVENUES, 1939-40.

| Sources of Revenue.                        | N.S.W.              | Victoria.          | Q'land.           | S. Aust.          | W. Aust.           | Tas.(a)            | Aust.              |
|--|---------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
|  | £                   | £                  | £                 | £                 | £                  | £                  | £                  |
| Taxation (b) ..                            | 19,820,785          | 10,699,409         | 7,769,496         | 4,563,353         | 3,030,051          | 1,613,713          | 47,496,807         |
| Railways ..                                | 19,954,851          | 9,855,781          | 7,918,487         | 4,345,442         | 3,497,529          | 5,770              | 44,377,860         |
| Tramways (c) ..                            | 4,467,909           | 106,346            | ..                | ..                | 304,856            | ..                 | 4,879,111          |
| Other Business and Industrial Undertakings | 1,809,511           | 2,284,786          | 2,480             | 1,791,725         | 1,794,980          | 7,597              | 7,691,088          |
| Land ..                                    | 1,627,974           | 415,661            | 1,550,629         | 235,729           | 316,205            | 68,110             | 4,214,308          |
| Commonwealth Payments ..                   | 2,967,593           | 2,127,159          | 1,096,235         | 1,578,816         | 1,068,432          | 696,859            | 9,535,094          |
| Interest ..                                | 454,554             | 1,503,900          | 1,250,188         | 926,905           | 475,839            | 448,336            | 5,059,722          |
| All other Sources ..                       | 3,651,449           | 1,109,693          | 1,167,980         | 513,678           | 632,051            | 214,925            | 7,289,776          |
| Total Revenue ..                           | 54,754,626          | 28,102,735         | 20,755,504        | 12,755,648        | 11,119,943         | 3,055,310          | 130,543,766        |
| Total Revenue per head (g) ..              | £ s. d.<br>19 15 11 | £ s. d.<br>14 17 5 | £ s. d.<br>20 7 9 | £ s. d.<br>21 7 4 | £ s. d.<br>23 16 9 | £ s. d.<br>12 15 8 | £ s. d.<br>18 14 3 |

| Year ended 30th June— | STATE REVENUES 1928-29 AND 1935-36 TO 1939-40. |            |            |            |            |           |             |
|-----------------------|--|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-------------|
|                       | £  | £          | £          | £          | £          | £         | £           |
| 1929 ..               | 46,240,658                                     | 27,286,329 | 16,725,682 | 10,840,914 | 9,947,951  | 2,766,434 | 113,807,968 |
| 1936 ..               | 45,718,823                                     | 26,038,340 | 15,488,991 | 11,409,325 | 10,033,721 | 3,117,602 | 111,806,802 |
| 1937 ..               | 49,159,077                                     | 27,221,267 | 16,535,038 | 11,739,306 | 10,185,433 | 3,488,524 | 118,328,645 |
| 1938 ..               | 53,545,720                                     | 27,614,982 | 17,339,731 | 12,460,936 | 10,819,042 | 3,639,755 | 125,420,166 |
| 1939 ..               | 51,709,735                                     | 26,985,548 | 19,330,369 | 12,303,597 | 10,949,660 | 3,614,764 | 124,893,673 |
| 1940 ..               | 54,754,626                                     | 28,102,735 | 20,755,504 | 12,755,648 | 11,113,943 | 3,055,310 | 130,543,766 |

## STATE EXPENDITURES, 1939-40.

| Heads of Expenditure.                      | N.S.W.             | Victoria.          | Q'land.           | S. Aust.           | W. Aust.          | Tas.(a)            | Aust.             |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
|  | £                  | £                  | £                 | £                  | £                 | £                  | £                 |
| Interest and Charges on Public Debt ..     | 15,173,580         | 8,459,677          | 6,839,579         | 5,281,926          | 4,490,026         | 1,276,590          | 41,521,378        |
| Railways ..                                | 14,335,601         | 7,684,667          | 6,204,833         | 2,693,495          | 2,799,283         | 17,844             | 33,735,723        |
| Tramways (c) ..                            | 4,037,802          | ..                 | ..                | ..                 | 254,837           | ..                 | 4,292,639         |
| Other Business and Industrial Undertakings | 963,284            | 1,078,549          | 4,779             | 599,867            | 828,997           | 622                | 3,476,098         |
| Education ..                               | 5,443,227          | 3,198,968          | 1,815,110         | 1,095,355          | 876,491           | 401,463            | 12,830,614        |
| Hospitals ..                               | 2,242,138          | 1,253,243          | 459,446           | 476,617            | 127,703           | 164,631            | 4,723,778         |
| Other Charities ..                         | 7,081,590          | 2,419,168          | 1,317,314         | 615,124            | 358,116           | 254,070            | 12,045,382        |
| All other Expenditure                      | 7,772,355          | 4,002,202          | 4,098,688         | 2,155,992          | 1,531,315         | 937,689            | 20,498,241        |
| Total Expenditure                          | 57,049,577         | 28,096,474         | 20,739,749        | 12,918,376         | 11,266,768        | 3,052,909          | 133,123,853       |
| Total Expenditure per head (g) ..          | £ s. d.<br>20 12 6 | £ s. d.<br>14 17 4 | £ s. d.<br>20 7 6 | £ s. d.<br>21 12 9 | £ s. d.<br>24 3 0 | £ s. d.<br>12 15 6 | £ s. d.<br>19 1 8 |

| Year ended 30th June— | STATE EXPENDITURES 1928-29 AND 1935-36 TO 1939-40. |            |            |            |            |           |             |
|-----------------------|--|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-------------|
|                       | £  | £          | £          | £          | £          | £         | £           |
| 1929 ..               | 48,159,691   | 27,251,578 | 16,902,145 | 11,771,772 | 10,223,919 | 2,855,977 | 117,165,082 |
| 1936 ..               | 47,409,604   | 26,154,801 | 16,230,806 | 11,260,360 | 9,945,343  | 3,247,288 | 114,248,202 |
| 1937 ..               | 49,081,953   | 27,192,344 | 16,815,228 | 11,600,138 | 10,556,638 | 3,443,618 | 118,689,919 |
| 1938 ..               | 53,495,881   | 27,584,037 | 17,568,223 | 12,334,391 | 10,829,735 | 3,632,903 | 125,445,170 |
| 1939 ..               | 54,163,064   | 27,772,790 | 19,316,323 | 12,700,921 | 11,170,102 | 3,640,748 | 128,763,948 |
| 1940 ..               | 57,049,577   | 28,096,474 | 20,739,749 | 12,918,376 | 11,266,768 | 3,052,909 | 133,123,853 |

(a) Excludes particulars of transport services, now under control of Transport Commission. Motor taxation collections are also now paid to the Commission's Fund. (b) For total receipts from various forms of taxation, Commonwealth and State, 1939-40, see p. 46. (c) Excludes £800,000, contribution from Consolidated Revenue Fund to Railway Revenue. (d) Includes £120,000 of Commonwealth Grant taken direct to Railway Revenue. (e) Includes Omnibuses. (f) Contribution to Revenue by Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways. (g) Based on mean population for the financial year.

## STATE NET LOAN EXPENDITURE DURING THE YEAR 1939-40.

| Heads of Expenditure.                          | N.S.W.      | Vic.(a)     | Q'land.   | S. Aust.    | W. Aust.   | Tas.       | Aust.       |
|--|-------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|------------|------------|-------------|
|  | £           | £           | £         | £           | £          | £          | £           |
| Works—   |             |             |           |             |            |            |             |
| Railways ..                                    | 1,546,461   | 858,623     | 500,995   | 176,084     | 20,260     | 29,866     | 3,154,003   |
| Tramways (b) ..                                | 8,323       | ..          |           | 13,464      | Cr. 73     | ..         |             |
| Roads and Bridges ..                           | 450,574     | Cr. 25,466  | 321,636   | 71,000      | Cr. 472    | 76,392     | 1,588,161   |
| Harbours, Rivers, Lights, &c. ..               | 527,718     | Cr. 2,343   | 37,117    | 120,164     | 11,841     |            |             |
| Water Supply and Sewerage ..                   | 270,814     | 403,764     | 442,000   | 303,562     | 88,550     | ..         | 1,508,690   |
| Public Buildings ..                            | 984,556     | 268,195     | 481,601   | 90,666      | 366,017    | 194,971    | 2,386,006   |
| Unemployment Relief ..                         | 661,563     | 1,400,505   | ..        | ..          | 1,205,503  | Cr. 5,180  | 3,262,391   |
| Other Public Works, &c. ..                     | 607,155     | 268,252     | 558,301   | 46,975      | 25,868     | 637,818    | 2,144,369   |
| Primary Production—                            |             |             |           |             |            |            |             |
| Land Settlement (d) ..                         | 88,968      | Cr. 443,188 | 116,048   | Cr. 173,171 | Cr. 56,653 | Cr. 30,956 | Cr. 498,952 |
| Water Conservation, Irrigation and Drainage .. | 681,819     | ..          | Cr. 454   | 50,336      | 27,850     | ..         | 759,551     |
| Other ..                                       | 58,315      | 406,129     | 151,599   | 73,997      | 78,284     | ..         | 768,324     |
| Other purposes ..                              | ..          | 7,240       | Cr. 116   | 177,089     | 45,104     | ..         | 229,317     |
| Total Works, &c. ..                            | 5,886,266   | 3,141,711   | 2,608,727 | 950,166     | 1,812,079  | 902,911    | 15,301,860  |
|  | £ s. d.     | £ s. d.     | £ s. d.   | £ s. d.     | £ s. d.    | £ s. d.    | £ s. d.     |
| Per Head (e) ..                                | 2 2 7       | 1 13 3      | 2 11 3    | 1 11 10     | 3 17 8     | 3 15 7     | 2 3 10      |
| Non-Works—                                     |             |             |           |             |            |            |             |
| Revenue, &c., Deficits ..                      | Cr. 329,746 | ..          | ..        | 397,324     | 146,825    | ..         | 214,403     |
| Discounts and Conversion Expenses ..           | 91,100      | 19,667      | 8,754     | 12,250      | 15,417     | ..         | 147,188     |
| Other ..                                       | ..          | ..          | 100,000   | ..          | ..         | ..         | 100,000     |
| Grand Total ..                                 | 5,647,620   | 3,161,378   | 2,717,481 | 1,359,740   | 1,974,321  | 902,911    | 15,763,451  |

(a) Expenditure from Loan and on account of Loan; includes expenditure from Public Account Advances Account, from Treasurer's Advance Account and from State Loans Repayment Fund. (b) Includes Omnibuses. (c) Loans to Metropolitan Tramways Trust. (d) Includes Advances to Settlers, and Soldier Land Settlement. (e) Based on mean population of financial year.

## TOTAL STATE NET LOAN EXPENDITURE TO 30th JUNE, 1940.

| Heads of Expenditure.                          | N.S.W.  | Vic.(a) | Q'land. | S. Aust. | W. Aust. | Tas.   | Aust.     |
|--|---------|---------|---------|----------|----------|--------|-----------|
|  | £'000.  | £'000.  | £'000.  | £'000.   | £'000.   | £'000. | £'000.    |
| Works—   |         |         |         |          |          |        |           |
| Railways and Tramways ..                       | 161,766 | 76,854  | 65,598  | 38,679   | 26,823   | 7,337  | 377,057   |
| Roads and Bridges ..                           | 20,257  | 12,440  | 4,628   | 3,840    | 3,145    | 7,167  | 93,375    |
| Harbours, Rivers, Lights, &c. ..               | 21,880  | 1,405   | 2,798   | 8,427    | 7,388    |        |           |
| Water Supply and Sewerage ..                   | 40,806  | 31,051  | 1,053   | 18,954   | 14,226   | ..     | 106,090   |
| Public Buildings ..                            | 16,473  | 7,154   | 6,462   | 4,080    | 2,569    | 2,611  | 39,349    |
| Unemployment Relief ..                         | 16,615  | 12,429  | ..      | ..       | (b)      | 370    | 29,414    |
| Electricity Supply ..                          | 2,065   | 17,839  | ..      | ..       | 1,842    | 6,128  | 27,874    |
| Other Public Works, &c. (c) ..                 | 11,133  | 3,683   | 25,288  | 7,799    | 3,078    | 3,657  | 54,638    |
| Primary Production—                            |         |         |         |          |          |        |           |
| Land Settlement (d) ..                         | 12,318  | 44,053  | 4,675   | 12,314   | 17,892   | 3,275  | 94,527    |
| Water Conservation, Irrigation and Drainage .. | 18,284  | ..      | 2,108   | 9,193    | 3,350    | ..     | 32,935    |
| Other ..                                       | 7,780   | 4,529   | 9,100   | 2,201    | 13,743   | ..     | 37,353    |
| Other purposes ..                              | ..      | 141     | 778     | 4,045    | 3,355    | 101    | 8,420     |
| Total Works ..                                 | 329,377 | 211,578 | 122,488 | 109,532  | 97,411   | 30,646 | 901,032   |
| Non-Works—                                     |         |         |         |          |          |        |           |
| Revenue, &c., Deficits ..                      | 40,532  | 4,864   | 5,826   | 9,006    | 12,117   | 836    | 73,181    |
| Other (e) ..                                   | 17,668  | 5,755   | 9,493   | 1,208    | 4,080    | ..     | 38,204    |
| Grand Total ..                                 | 387,577 | 222,197 | 137,807 | 119,746  | 113,608  | 31,482 | 1,012,417 |

(a) Aggregate Gross Loan Expenditure. (b) Distributed over individual items. (c) Includes Loans to Local Bodies, Housing, Immigration, &c. (d) Includes Advances to Settlers and Soldiers' Land Settlement. (e) Discounts and flotation expenses, exchange on remittances, &c.

## STATE PUBLIC DEBT AND INTEREST PAYABLE AT 30th JUNE, 1940.

| State.               | Public Debt.    |                |               |               | Interest Payable.  |                |                 |               |
|----------------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------|----------------|-----------------|---------------|
|                      | Aus-<br>tralia. | London.        | New<br>York.  | Total.        | In Aus-<br>tralia. | In<br>London.  | In New<br>York. | Total.        |
|                      | £'000.<br>Aust. | £'000.<br>Stg. | £'000.<br>(a) | £'000.<br>(b) | £'000.<br>Aust.    | £'000.<br>Stg. | £'000.<br>(a)   | £'000.<br>(c) |
| New South Wales ..   | 192,089         | 158,697        | 12,540        | 363,326       | 6,546              | 5,917          | 607             | 13,070        |
| Victoria ..          | 113,586         | 62,465         | 4,499         | 180,550       | 4,273              | 2,402          | 221             | 6,896         |
| Queensland ..        | 59,342          | 62,788         | 6,903         | 129,033       | 2,094              | 2,785          | 393             | 5,272         |
| South Australia ..   | 64,713          | 42,898         | 1,733         | 109,344       | 2,409              | 1,676          | 87              | 4,172         |
| Western Australia .. | 50,261          | 43,954         | 2,015         | 96,230        | 1,753              | 1,687          | 101             | 3,541         |
| Tasmania ..          | 13,656          | 13,360         | 228           | 27,244        | 518                | 492            | 12              | 1,022         |
| Total ..             | 493,647         | 384,162        | 27,918        | 905,727       | 17,593             | 14,959         | 1,421           | 33,973        |

(a) Payable in terms of dollars. For the purposes of this table dollars have been arbitrarily converted on the basis of \$4.8665 to £ (Stg.). (b) The total "face" or "book" value of the State Public Debt leaving out of account currency changes since the loans were floated. (c) Nominal amount of interest payable, takes no account of exchange.



## (C.) COMMONWEALTH AND STATE FINANCE.

(PREPARED FROM INFORMATION PUBLISHED IN THE MONTHLY STATEMENTS ISSUED BY EACH TREASURY.)

## REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

| State, &c.           | Six months ended December. |              |                                   |          |              |                                   |
|----------------------|----------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------------|----------|--------------|-----------------------------------|
|                      | 1939-40.                   |              |                                   | 1940-41. |              |                                   |
|                      | Revenue.                   | Expenditure. | Surplus (+)<br>or<br>Deficit (-). | Revenue. | Expenditure. | Surplus (+)<br>or<br>Deficit (-). |
|                      | £'000.                     | £'000.       | £'000.                            | £'000.   | £'000.       | £'000.                            |
| New South Wales ..   | 22,825                     | 29,340       | — 6,515                           | 26,154   | 29,348       | — 3,194                           |
| Victoria ..          | 9,893                      | 12,848       | — 2,955                           | 10,541   | 13,356       | — 2,815                           |
| Queensland ..        | 9,220                      | 10,440       | — 1,220                           | 9,231    | 10,573       | — 1,342                           |
| South Australia ..   | 4,968                      | 6,395        | — 1,427                           | 5,440    | 6,300        | — 860                             |
| Western Australia .. | 4,986                      | 5,616        | — 630                             | 5,142    | 5,669        | — 527                             |
| Tasmania ..          | 1,228                      | 1,445        | — 217                             | 1,144    | 1,517        | — 373                             |
| Total, Six States .. | 53,120                     | 66,084       | — 12,964                          | 57,652   | 66,763       | — 9,111                           |
| Commonwealth ..      | 48,640                     | 48,944       | — 304                             | 52,777   | 52,224       | + 553                             |
| Grand Total (a) ..   | 96,958                     | 110,226      | — 13,268                          | 105,612  | 114,170      | — 8,558                           |

(a) To avoid duplication in aggregating particulars for the Commonwealth and States, the grand totals are exclusive of payments by Commonwealth to the States on account of interest on States' debts and disabilities grants.

## TAXATION REVENUE AND ADMINISTRATIVE, ETC., EXPENDITURE.

| State, &c.                | Revenue from Taxation.     |           | Expenditure—Administration,<br>Works and Social Services<br>including Unemployment Relief. |            |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|-----------|--|------------|
|                           | Six months ended December. |           |  |            |
|                           | 1939-40.                   | 1940-41.  | 1939-40.   | 1940-41.   |
|                           | £'000.                     | £'000.    | £'000.   | £'000.     |
| New South Wales .. .. .   | (a) 5,169                  | (a) 6,714 | 12,159   | 11,742     |
| Victoria .. .. .          | 2,501                      | 2,383     | 4,588  | 4,771      |
| Queensland .. .. .        | 2,578                      | 2,394     | 3,780  | 3,788      |
| South Australia .. .. .   | 1,060                      | 1,227     | 2,155  | 1,996      |
| Western Australia .. .. . | 1,132                      | 1,102     | 1,444  | 1,484      |
| Tasmania .. .. .          | 521                        | 457       | 726  | 813        |
| Total, Six States .. .. . | 12,961                     | 14,277    | 24,852   | 24,594     |
| Commonwealth .. .. .      | 37,868                     | 40,517    | (b) 24,014   | (b) 27,734 |
| Grand Total .. .. .       | 50,829                     | 54,794    | 48,866   | 52,328     |

(a) Unemployment Relief and Social Services Taxes have replaced Wages and Special Income Taxes as from September, 1939. (b) Excludes Territories, payments to States under Financial Agreement and other Acts and assistance to Primary Producers. Includes War expenditure.

## BUSINESS UNDERTAKINGS.(a)

| State, &c.                    | Revenue.                   |                    | Expenditure.       |                    |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
|                               | Six months ended December. |                    |                    |                    |
|                               | 1939-40.<br>£'000.         | 1940-41.<br>£'000. | 1939-40.<br>£'000. | 1940-41.<br>£'000. |
| New South Wales .. ..         | 13,835                     | 15,456             | 9,215              | 9,833              |
| Victoria ( <i>b</i> ) .. ..   | 4,800                      | 5,509              | 4,036              | 4,267              |
| Queensland ( <i>c</i> ) .. .. | 4,407                      | 4,545              | 3,253              | 3,309              |
| South Australia .. ..         | 2,433                      | 2,675              | 1,637              | 1,666              |
| Western Australia .. ..       | 2,709                      | 2,826              | 1,918              | 1,888              |
| Tasmania( <i>d</i> ) .. ..    | 5                          | ..                 | 13                 | ..                 |
| Total, Six States .. ..       | 28,189                     | 31,011             | 20,072             | 20,963             |
| Commonwealth .. ..            | 9,118                      | 9,655              | 6,363              | 6,735              |
| Grand Total .. ..             | 37,307                     | 40,666             | 26,435             | 27,698             |

(a) Excludes Interest, &c., charges. (b) Railways and State Coal Mine only. (c) Railways only. (d) Since the creation of the Transport Commission, transport finance has been separated from Consolidated Revenue.

**TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH AND STATE, 1939-40.(a)**

| State.             | Customs and Excise. | Income and Dividend Tax. | Other Taxes on Income. (b) | Land Tax. | Probate and Succession Duties. | Other Stamp Duties. | Motor Taxes. | All other Taxes. | Total Taxes. |
|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------|---------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------|
| (i) TOTAL.         |                     |                          |                            |           |                                |                     |              |                  |              |
| N. South Wales     | £                   | £                        | £                          | £         | £                              | £                   | £            | £                | £            |
| Victoria ..        | ..                  | 7,031,961                | 8,253,276                  | 2,169     | 2,201,268                      | 1,422,851           | 2,861,342    | 909,260          | 22,682,127   |
| Queensland ..      | ..                  | 4,737,696                | 1,999,902                  | 490,255   | 1,456,752                      | 978,992             | 1,981,509    | 1,065,556        | 12,710,662   |
| South Australia .. | ..                  | 3,452,653                | 2,255,197                  | 408,640   | 658,298                        | 605,490             | 1,028,247    | 407,923          | 8,816,448    |
| Western Aust.      | ..                  | 2,358,733                | ..                         | 320,316   | 563,505                        | 236,427             | 687,644      | 453,493          | 4,620,118    |
| Tasmania ..        | ..                  | 1,001,906                | 1,522,041                  | 99,348    | 122,442                        | 250,728             | 451,037      | 282,056          | 3,729,558    |
|                    | ..                  | 452,072                  | 385,666                    | 83,766    | 135,107                        | 85,626              | 214,189      | (c) 471,473      | 1,827,902    |
| Total States ..    | ..                  | 19,035,021               | 14,416,082                 | 1,404,497 | 5,137,372                      | 3,580,114           | 7,223,968    | 3,589,761        | 54,386,815   |
| Commonwealth       | 53,824,906          | 16,430,313               | ..                         | 1,645,829 | 2,212,690                      | ..                  | ..           | d15,896,925      | 90,010,663   |
| Grand Total        | 53,824,906          | 35,465,334               | 14,416,082                 | 3,050,326 | 7,350,062                      | 3,580,114           | 7,223,968    | 19,486,686       | 144,397,478  |

## (ii) PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

|                    | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d.  |
|--------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|
| N. South Wales     | ..      | 2 10 10 | 2 19 9  | ..      | 0 15 11 | 0 10 3  | 1 0 8   | 0 6 7   | 8 4 0    |
| Victoria ..        | ..      | 2 10 2  | 1 1 2   | 0 5 2   | 0 15 5  | 0 10 4  | 1 0 11  | 0 11 4  | 6 14 6   |
| Queensland ..      | ..      | 3 7 10  | 2 4 4   | 0 8 0   | 0 12 11 | 0 11 11 | 1 0 2   | 0 8 1   | 8 13 3   |
| South Australia .. | ..      | 3 19 0  | ..      | 0 10 9  | 0 18 11 | 0 7 11  | 1 3 0   | 0 15 3  | 7 14 10  |
| Western Aust.      | ..      | 2 2 11  | 3 5 3   | 0 4 3   | 0 5 3   | 0 10 9  | 0 19 4  | 0 12 2  | 7 19 11  |
| Tasmania ..        | ..      | 1 17 10 | 1 12 3  | 0 7 0   | 0 11 4  | 0 7 2   | 0 18 0  | 1 19 5  | 7 13 0   |
| Total States ..    | ..      | 2 14 8  | 2 1 3   | 0 4 0   | 0 14 9  | 0 10 3  | 1 0 9   | 0 10 3  | 7 15 11  |
| Commonwealth       | 7 13 11 | 2 7 0   | ..      | 0 4 8   | 0 6 4   | ..      | ..      | 2 5 5   | 12 17 4  |
| Grand Total        | 7 13 11 | 5 1 6   | 2 1 2   | 0 8 8   | 1 1 1   | 0 10 3  | 1 0 8   | 2 15 7  | 20 12 10 |

(a) The foregoing particulars include those amounts collected by State Governments and paid into Special Funds. The collections have been grouped according to the nature of the tax rather than the method of collection. (b) Includes Social Services, Unemployment Relief, State Development, Financial Emergency, Hospital, Special Income, Wages and Family Endowment Taxes. (c) Includes Income Tax on Lottery prizes. (d) Includes Sales, Flour and Gold Taxes.

**TAXATION.—TOTAL COMMONWEALTH AND STATE.**

| Year ended 30th June— | Taxation by Commonwealth Government. |            |            | Taxation by State Governments. | Total Taxation. |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|------------|------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|
|                       | Customs and Excise.                  | Other.     | Total.     |                                |                 |
|                       | £                                    | £          | £          | £                              | £               |
| 1935 ..               | 37,869,486                           | 20,885,038 | 58,754,524 | 36,455,217                     | 95,209,741      |
| 1936 ..               | 41,437,717                           | 22,179,589 | 63,617,306 | 40,971,713                     | 104,589,019     |
| 1937 ..               | 42,993,032                           | 19,780,420 | 62,773,452 | 45,449,101                     | 108,222,553     |
| 1938 ..               | 48,383,005                           | 20,665,480 | 69,048,485 | 49,674,765                     | 118,723,250     |
| 1939 ..               | 47,632,365                           | 26,404,534 | 74,036,899 | 50,506,997                     | 124,543,896     |
| 1940 ..               | 53,824,906                           | 36,185,757 | 90,010,663 | 54,386,815                     | 144,397,478     |

**TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PER HEAD.**

| Year ended 30th June— | Taxation by Commonwealth Government.(a) |         |         | Taxation by State Governments. (b) | Total Taxation. (a) |
|-----------------------|---|---------|---------|------------------------------------|---------------------|
|                       | Customs and Excise.                     | Other.  | Total.  |                                    |                     |
|                       | £ s. d.                                 | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d.                            | £ s. d.             |
| 1935 ..               | 5 13 0                                  | 3 2 4   | 8 15 4  | 5 9 0                              | 14 4 1              |
| 1936 ..               | 6 2 9                                   | 3 5 9   | 9 8 6   | 6 1 8                              | 15 9 11             |
| 1937 ..               | 6 6 4                                   | 2 18 2  | 9 4 6   | 6 13 11                            | 15 18 1             |
| 1938 ..               | 7 1 0                                   | 3 0 2   | 10 1 2  | 7 5 1                              | 17 5 11             |
| 1939 ..               | 6 17 7                                  | 3 16 2  | 10 13 9 | 7 6 2                              | 17 19 6             |
| 1940 ..               | 7 13 11                                 | 5 3 5   | 12 17 4 | 7 15 11                            | 20 12 10            |

(a) Based on mean population of Commonwealth for each financial year. (b) Based on aggregate population of the six States, mean for each financial year.

## COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC DEBT.—(i) TOTAL DEBT.

| Particulars.     | Where Redeem-able. | At 30th June— |               |               |               |               |
|------------------|--------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
|                  |                    | 1936.         | 1937.         | 1938.         | 1939.         | 1940.         |
| PUBLIC DEBT.     |                    |               |               |               |               |               |
| Commonwealth—    |                    | £(a)          | £(a)          | £(a)          | £(a)          | £(a)          |
| War (1914-19) .. | Australia          | 186,361,597   | 183,063,205   | 179,058,853   | 175,193,890   | 173,028,896   |
|                  | London             | 90,744,381    | 90,744,381    | 90,744,381    | 90,744,381    | 90,744,381    |
| War (1939-40) .. | Australia          | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | 46,808,759    |
|                  | London             | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | 5,810,000     |
| Works, &c. ..    | Australia          | 31,930,376    | 31,755,432    | 37,341,609    | 43,302,593    | 37,279,030    |
|                  | London             | 65,540,946    | 65,034,246    | 67,619,246    | 72,096,566    | 65,779,396    |
|                  | New York           | 16,351,176    | 16,201,952    | 16,080,972    | 15,913,501    | 15,876,718    |
| Total ..         | Australia          | 218,291,973   | 214,818,637   | 216,400,462   | 218,496,483   | 257,116,685   |
|                  | London             | 156,285,327   | 155,778,627   | 158,363,627   | 162,840,947   | 162,333,777   |
|                  | New York           | 16,351,176    | 16,201,952    | 16,080,972    | 15,913,501    | 15,876,718    |
| Total ..         | ..                 | 390,928,476   | 386,799,216   | 390,845,061   | 397,250,931   | 435,327,180   |
| State ..         | Australia          | 447,258,509   | 459,579,899   | 469,742,248   | 485,179,757   | 493,646,681   |
|                  | London             | 388,575,335   | 387,633,735   | 385,888,993   | 384,327,833   | 384,162,382   |
|                  | New York           | 28,908,661    | 28,747,909    | 28,549,461    | 28,264,451    | 27,918,001    |
| Total ..         | ..                 | 864,742,505   | 875,961,543   | 884,180,702   | 897,772,041   | 905,727,064   |
| Grand Total      | Australia          | 665,550,482   | 674,398,536   | 686,142,710   | 703,676,240   | 750,763,366   |
|                  | London             | 544,860,662   | 543,412,362   | 544,252,620   | 547,168,780   | 546,496,159   |
|                  | New York           | 45,259,837    | 44,949,861    | 44,630,433    | 44,177,952    | 43,794,719    |
| Total ..         | ..                 | 1,255,670,981 | 1,262,760,759 | 1,275,025,763 | 1,295,022,972 | 1,341,054,244 |

(a) Currency units as in Public Debt tables on pp. 37 and 44.

## (ii) DEBT PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

| Particulars.            |    | Where<br>Redem-<br>able. | At 30th June— |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|-------------------------|----|--------------------------|---------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
|                         |    |                          | 1936.         | 1937. | 1938. | 1939. | 1940. |       |       |       |       |       |
| PER HEAD OF POPULATION. |    |                          |               |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| Commonwealth—           |    |                          | (a) £         | s. d. | (a) £ | s. d. | (a) £ | s. d. | (a) £ | s. d. | (a) £ | s. d. |
| War (1914–19)           | .. | Australia                | 27            | 10 2  | 26    | 15 11 | 25    | 19 6  | 25    | 3 4   | 24    | 12 4  |
|                         |    | London                   | 13            | 7 10  | 13    | 5 8   | 13    | 3 3   | 13    | 0 9   | 12    | 18 2  |
| War (1939–40)           | .. | Australia                | ..            | ..    | ..    | ..    | ..    | ..    | ..    | ..    | 6     | 13 2  |
|                         |    | London                   | ..            | ..    | ..    | ..    | ..    | ..    | ..    | ..    | 0     | 16 7  |
| Works, &c.              | .. | Australia                | 4             | 14 3  | 4     | 13 0  | 5     | 8 4   | 6     | 4 5   | 5     | 6 1   |
|                         |    | London                   | 9             | 13 6  | 9     | 10 5  | 9     | 16 3  | 10    | 7 1   | 9     | 7 2   |
|                         |    | New York                 | 2             | 8 3   | 2     | 7 5   | 2     | 6 8   | 2     | 5 9   | 2     | 5 2   |
| Total                   | .. | Australia                | 32            | 4 5   | 31    | 8 11  | 31    | 7 10  | 31    | 7 9   | 36    | 11 7  |
|                         |    | London                   | 23            | 1 4   | 22    | 16 1  | 22    | 19 6  | 23    | 7 10  | 23    | 1 11  |
|                         |    | New York                 | 2             | 8 3   | 2     | 7 5   | 2     | 6 8   | 2     | 5 9   | 2     | 5 2   |
| Total                   | .. | ..                       | 57            | 14 0  | 56    | 12 5  | 56    | 14 0  | 57    | 1 4   | 61    | 18 8  |
| State                   | .. | Australia                | 66            | 3 3   | 67    | 8 7   | 68    | 6 5   | 69    | 17 8  | 70    | 8 7   |
|                         |    | London                   | 57            | 9 7   | 56    | 17 6  | 56    | 2 6   | 55    | 7 2   | 54    | 16 3  |
|                         |    | New York                 | 4             | 5 6   | 4     | 4 4   | 4     | 3 0   | 4     | 1 5   | 3     | 19 8  |
| Total                   | .. | ..                       | 127           | 18 4  | 128   | 10 5  | 128   | 11 11 | 129   | 6 3   | 129   | 4 6   |
| Grand Total             | .. | Australia                | 98            | 4 7   | 98    | 14 5  | 99    | 10 9  | 101   | 1 10  | 106   | 16 2  |
|                         |    | London                   | 80            | 8 4   | 79    | 10 11 | 78    | 19 1  | 78    | 12 1  | 77    | 15 0  |
|                         |    | New York                 | 6             | 13 8  | 6     | 11 7  | 6     | 9 6   | 6     | 6 11  | 6     | 4 7   |
| Total                   | .. | ..                       | 185           | 6 7   | 184   | 16 11 | 184   | 19 4  | 186   | 0 10  | 190   | 15 9  |

(a) Currency units as in Public Debt tables on pp. 37 and 44.



## (iii)—INTEREST PAYABLE.

| (iii) — INTEREST PAYABLE.              |                |                |                |                |                |                |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Particulars.                           | Where Payable. | At 30th June—  |                |                |                |                |
|  |                | 1936.          | 1937.          | 1938.          | 1939.          | 1940.          |
| INTEREST PAYABLE.                      |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Commonwealth ..                        | Australia      | £(a) 8,363,055 | £(a) 8,245,897 | £(a) 8,301,752 | £(a) 8,344,627 | £(a) 9,420,640 |
|  | London(b)      | 3,077,601      | 3,040,262      | 3,201,299      | 3,403,554      | 3,387,796      |
|  | New York       | 797,954        | 790,935        | 785,240        | 777,586        | 775,930        |
| Total(c) ..                            | ..             | 12,238,610     | 12,077,094     | 12,288,291     | 12,525,767     | 13,584,366     |
| State .. ..                            | Australia      | 15,841,783     | 16,333,969     | 16,715,028     | 17,240,238     | 17,593,171     |
|  | London         | 15,407,943     | 15,070,888     | 15,010,049     | 14,962,882     | 14,958,802     |
|  | New York       | 1,474,208      | 1,466,264      | 1,456,415      | 1,441,476      | 1,420,694      |
| Total(c) ..                            | ..             | 32,723,934     | 32,871,121     | 33,181,492     | 33,644,596     | 33,972,667     |
| Grand Total, Commonwealth and State .. | Australia      | 24,204,838     | 24,579,866     | 25,016,780     | 25,584,865     | 27,013,811     |
|  | London(b)      | 18,485,544     | 18,111,150     | 18,211,348     | 18,366,436     | 18,346,598     |
|  | New York       | 2,272,162      | 2,257,199      | 2,241,655      | 2,219,062      | 2,196,624      |
| Total(c) ..                            | ..             | 44,962,544     | 44,948,215     | 45,469,783     | 46,170,363     | 47,557,033     |

(a) Currency units as in Public Debt tables on pages 37 and 44.

(b) Excludes suspended interest (£3,919,774) on War Debt to British Government (£79,724,221).

(c) The totals shown represent the nominal amount of interest, taking no account of exchange.

## (iv)—AVERAGE RATES OF INTEREST.

| Particulars.               | Where Payable. | At 30th June—        |                       |                       |                      |                      |
|----------------------------|----------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
|                            |                | 1936.                | 1937.                 | 1938.                 | 1939.                | 1940.                |
| AVERAGE RATES OF INTEREST. |                |                      |                       |                       |                      |                      |
| Commonwealth and State ..  | Australia      | (a)£ s. d.<br>3 12 9 | (a)£ s. d.<br>3 12 11 | (a)£ s. d.<br>3 12 11 | (a)£ s. d.<br>3 12 9 | (a)£ s. d.<br>3 12 4 |
|                            | London (b)     | 3 19 5               | 3 18 1                | 3 18 5                | 3 18 7               | 3 18 7               |
|                            | New York       | 5 0 5                | 5 0 5                 | 5 0 5                 | 5 0 6                | 5 0 4                |
|                            | Total(c) .. .. | ..                   | 3 16 6                | 3 16 0                | 3 16 1               | 3 16 0               |

(a) Currency units as in Public Debt Tables on pages 37 and 44.

(b) See note (b) to previous table (iii).

(c) Based on the nominal amount of interest payable, taking no account of exchange.

## (v)—SHORT TERM DEBT.(a)

| Debt.        | Where redeemable. | At—             |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
|--------------|-------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
|              |                   | 30th June 1933. | 30th June, 1934. | 30th June, 1935. | 30th June, 1936. | 30th June, 1937. | 30th June, 1938. | 30th June, 1939. | 30th June, 1940. | 31st Dec., 1940. |
| Commonwealth | Australia         | £'000.(b) 3,500 | £'000.(b) 10,220 | £'000.(b) 10,220 | £'000.(b) 10,220 | £'000.(b) 9,720  | £'000.(b) 5,495  | £'000.(b) 4,220  | £'000.(b) 3,970  | £'000.(b) 3,720  |
| State ..     | Australia         | 45,375          | 48,469           | 45,124           | 47,013           | 46,408           | 46,598           | 50,228           | 45,463           | 53,103           |
|              | London            | 23,905          | 23,405           | 23,405           | 23,155           | 23,155           | 23,155           | 23,155           | 23,155           | 23,155           |
| Total ..     | Australia         | 48,875          | 48,469           | 45,124           | 47,013           | 46,408           | 46,598           | 50,228           | 45,463           | 53,103           |
|              | London            | 34,125          | 33,625           | 33,625           | 33,375           | 32,875           | 28,650           | 27,375           | 27,125           | 26,875           |

(a) Exclusive of Overdrafts.

(b) Currency units as in Public Debt tables on pages 37 and 44.

## (D.) BANKING.

## CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS.

## AVERAGE LIABILITIES IN AUSTRALIA.(a)

| Quarter ended. | Notes in Circulation. | Bills in Circulation. | Balances due to other Banks. | Deposits.                |                      |               | Total Liabilities. |
|----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|---------------|--------------------|
|                |                       |                       |                              | Not bearing Interest.(b) | Bearing Interest.(c) | Total.        |                    |
| June, 1935 ..  | £ 169,063             | £ 2,950,562           | £ 24,773,231                 | £ 119,086,856            | £ 224,262,006        | £ 343,348,862 | £ 371,241,718      |
| June, 1936 ..  | 167,447               | 3,046,980             | 18,324,742                   | 122,629,362              | 221,174,769          | 343,804,131   | 365,343,300        |
| June, 1937 ..  | 167,360               | 3,125,178             | 26,268,185                   | 138,299,384              | 256,787,625          | 375,087,009   | 404,647,732        |
| June, 1938 ..  | 167,212               | 3,307,533             | 21,012,191                   | 141,044,095              | 290,499,233          | 391,543,328   | 416,030,264        |
| June, 1939 ..  | 167,097               | 3,448,553             | 20,363,329                   | 140,225,435              | 250,561,218          | 390,786,653   | 414,765,632        |
| Mar., 1940 ..  | 166,890               | 4,068,928             | 34,555,671                   | 163,898,909              | 261,571,113          | 425,470,022   | 464,261,511        |
| June, 1940 ..  | 166,877               | 4,276,757             | 30,138,460                   | 170,778,504              | 268,195,648          | 438,974,152   | 473,556,246        |
| Sept., 1940 .. | 166,856               | 3,880,108             | 30,828,123                   | 175,992,002              | 260,425,579          | 436,417,581   | 471,292,668        |
| Dec., 1940 ..  | 166,837               | 3,971,805             | 34,050,617                   | 180,646,705              | 268,685,583          | 448,732,288   | 486,921,547        |

(a) Includes statistics for the Commonwealth Bank (General Bank, but not Savings Bank).

(b) Government "Set-off" accounts, Interstate (Commonwealth Bank) deducted.

(c) Includes Inscribed deposit stock of the Queensland National and E. S. and A. Banks.

## CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS—AVERAGE ASSETS IN AUSTRALIA.(a)

| Quarter ended— | Coin and Bullion. | Australian Notes and Cash with Commonwealth Bank. | Government and Municipal Securities. | Land and House Property. | Balances due from other Banks. | Notes and Bills of other Banks. | Discounts, Overdrafts and all other assets. (b) | Total Assets. |
|----------------|-------------------|---|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|---------------|
|                | £                 | £   | £                                    | £                        | £                              | £                               | £   | £             |
| June, 1936     | 3,126,679         | 34,658,347  | 885,123,373                          | 9,797,759                | 2,857,331                      | 1,914,557                       | 292,466,690                                     | 429,944,736   |
| June, 1937     | 3,370,102         | 41,049,603  | 89,181,706                           | 10,160,012               | 2,866,532                      | 2,215,608                       | 294,723,244                                     | 443,566,807   |
| June, 1938     | 3,813,396         | 35,564,117  | 86,840,366                           | 10,742,379               | 3,003,098                      | 2,257,228                       | 323,201,132                                     | 465,421,716   |
| June, 1939     | 4,416,510         | 32,046,111  | 93,820,443                           | 11,187,055               | 2,898,238                      | 2,254,002                       | 332,688,203                                     | 479,310,562   |
| Mar., 1940     | 3,967,960         | 45,873,875  | 118,236,521                          | 11,487,861               | 3,954,223                      | 2,322,490                       | 334,846,225                                     | 520,689,155   |
| June, 1940     | 3,905,569         | 40,124,980  | 118,733,337                          | 11,574,500               | 4,371,472                      | 2,525,644                       | 347,379,567                                     | 528,615,069   |
| Sept., 1940    | 3,846,700         | 41,164,943  | 114,902,223                          | 11,752,882               | 4,375,779                      | 2,397,242                       | 345,511,695                                     | 523,951,464   |
| Dec., 1940     | 3,859,506         | 44,108,813  | 128,191,621                          | 11,755,922               | 5,141,321                      | 2,372,610                       | 336,304,967                                     | 531,734,760   |

(a) Includes statistics for the Commonwealth Bank (General Bank, but not Savings Bank).

(b) Includes certain short-term loans, not secured by Treasury Bills, &amp;c., made by the Commonwealth Bank, mainly to Governments, Semi-Governmental and Municipal Authorities, &amp;c.

(c) Government "Set-off" accounts, Interstate (Commonwealth Bank) deducted.

## SAVINGS BANKS.(a)

| Date. | N.S.W. | Vic. | Q'land. | S. Aust. | W. Aust. | Tas. | N. Terr. | Aust. Cap. Terr. | Total. |
|-------|--------|------|---------|----------|----------|------|----------|------------------|--------|
|-------|--------|------|---------|----------|----------|------|----------|------------------|--------|

## AMOUNT ON DEPOSIT.

|           | £'000. | £'000. | £'000. | £'000. | £'000. | £'000. | £'000. | £'000. | £'000.  |
|-----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| 30.6.31.. | 69,811 | 63,243 | 22,354 | 21,422 | 10,867 | 5,366  | 43     | 269    | 193,375 |
| 30.6.32.. | 71,648 | 65,680 | 22,952 | 21,567 | 10,218 | 5,586  | 40     | 275    | 197,966 |
| 30.6.33.. | 72,308 | 67,814 | 23,453 | 22,515 | 10,064 | 5,865  | 38     | 225    | 202,282 |
| 30.6.34.. | 75,714 | 69,971 | 24,834 | 23,438 | 10,399 | 6,039  | 44     | 237    | 210,676 |
| 30.6.35.. | 77,906 | 72,019 | 26,196 | 24,185 | 10,929 | 6,430  | 54     | 230    | 217,949 |
| 30.6.36.. | 80,000 | 73,890 | 27,132 | 25,308 | 11,517 | 6,818  | 58     | 239    | 224,902 |
| 30.6.37.. | 81,952 | 75,721 | 27,304 | 26,506 | 11,835 | 7,215  | 59     | 259    | 230,851 |
| 30.6.38.. | 86,016 | 78,877 | 28,206 | 27,244 | 12,037 | 7,692  | 68     | 292    | 240,432 |
| 30.6.39.. | 87,474 | 80,461 | 29,045 | 27,359 | 12,396 | 8,396  | 99     | 319    | 245,549 |
| 30.6.40.. | 82,111 | 79,145 | 28,252 | 26,526 | 11,860 | 8,518  | 192    | 350    | 236,954 |
| 1939—     |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |         |
| Oct. ..   | 86,751 | 80,025 | 29,620 | 27,061 | 12,452 | 8,577  | 127    | 339    | 244,952 |
| Nov. ..   | 86,684 | 80,358 | 29,887 | 27,061 | 12,540 | 8,579  | 138    | 340    | 245,587 |
| Dec. ..   | 86,581 | 80,131 | 29,712 | 26,966 | 12,441 | 8,549  | 145    | 341    | 244,866 |
| 1940—     |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |         |
| Oct. ..   | 84,568 | 81,479 | 29,499 | 26,916 | 12,233 | 8,713  | 246    | 358    | 244,012 |
| Nov. ..   | 85,110 | 82,248 | 29,624 | 27,007 | 12,327 | 8,748  | 259    | 363    | 245,686 |
| Dec. ..   | 84,884 | 81,915 | 29,278 | 26,727 | 12,202 | 8,654  | 262    | 362    | 244,284 |

## AVERAGE PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

|           | £ s. d.  | £ s. d. | £ s. d.  | £ s. d.  | £ s. d. | £ s. d.  | £ s. d.  | £ s. d.  | £ s. d.  |
|-----------|----------|---------|----------|----------|---------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| 30.6.31.. | 27 6 7   | 35 2 11 | 24 2 5   | 37 4 0   | 25 2 11 | 23 19 1  | 8 12 4   | 31 3 0   | 29 12 7  |
| 30.6.32.. | 27 15 10 | 36 6 7  | 24 9 6   | 37 6 2   | 23 9 8  | 24 13 7  | 8 4      | 32 0 7   | 30 2 0   |
| 30.6.33.. | 27 16 0  | 37 5 1  | 24 15 0  | 38 15 1  | 22 18 9 | 25 15 4  | 7 18 5   | 32 5 3   | 31 30 0  |
| 30.6.34.. | 28 17 7  | 38 4 11 | 25 18 7  | 40 3 8   | 23 10 6 | 26 9 10  | 9 0 3    | 32 10 31 | 31 11 1  |
| 30.6.35.. | 29 9 2   | 39 3 8  | 27 1 3   | 41 7 1   | 24 10 5 | 28 2 2   | 10 9 6   | 34 15 2  | 32 8 3   |
| 30.6.36.. | 30 0 3   | 40 0 3  | 27 13 3  | 43 1 10  | 25 11 7 | 29 13 10 | 10 17 2  | 34 1 3   | 33 4 1   |
| 30.6.37.. | 30 8 9   | 40 16 3 | 27 10 5  | 45 0 6   | 26 1 13 | 30 1 10  | 10 16 10 | 35 4 4   | 33 15 10 |
| 30.6.38.. | 31 12 9  | 42 4 11 | 28 2 4   | 45 19 11 | 26 3 23 | 32 16 11 | 11 15 5  | 36 5 11  | 34 17 7  |
| 30.6.39.. | 31 16 11 | 42 15 4 | 28 11 6  | 45 18 5  | 26 12 8 | 35 9 7   | 15 19 9  | 37 0 35  | 35 5 6   |
| 30.6.40.. | 29 10 5  | 41 13 4 | 27 13 2  | 44 6 5   | 25 6 10 | 35 9 10  | 27 8 4   | 36 11 33 | 34 13 3  |
| 1939—     |          |         |          |          |         |          |          |          |          |
| Oct. ..   | 31 9 4   | 42 8 0  | 29 1 8   | 45 5 11  | 26 13 8 | 36 0 6   | 18 5 10  | 37 13 9  | 35 1 5   |
| Nov. ..   | 31 7 9   | 42 11 3 | 29 6 10  | 45 5 4   | 26 17 1 | 35 17 10 | 19 12 6  | 37 10 35 | 35 2 6   |
| Dec. ..   | 31 5 1   | 42 9 2  | 29 4 11  | 45 3 4   | 26 14 1 | 35 9 20  | 16 5 27  | 37 15 10 | 34 19 11 |
| 1940—     |          |         |          |          |         |          |          |          |          |
| Oct. (b)  | 30 5 6   | 42 12 9 | 28 17 5  | 45 3 7   | 26 3 4  | 36 12 7  | 23 19 5  | 38 3 11  | 34 12 3  |
| Nov. (b)  | 30 9 5   | 43 0 10 | 28 19 10 | 45 6 8   | 26 7 4  | 36 15 6  | 25 4 7   | 38 11 6  | 34 17 0  |
| Dec. (b)  | 30 7 9   | 42 17 4 | 28 13 1  | 44 17 3  | 26 2 1  | 36 7 8   | 25 9 5   | 38 10 5  | 34 13 0  |

(a) Includes Commonwealth Savings Bank.

(b) Based on population at 30th September, 1940

## COMMONWEALTH SAVINGS BANK.

## Deposits.

| Date.         | N.S.W.     | Vic.       | Q'land.    | S.A.      | W.A.       | Tas.      | N.T.    | A.C.T.  | Total.      |
|---------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|---------|---------|-------------|
|               | £          | £          | £          | £         | £          | £         | £       | £       | £           |
| 30.6.31 ..    | 14,492,937 | 6,104,264  | 22,354,325 | 1,951,151 | 2,788,373  | 1,519,418 | 43,258  | 219,935 | 49,473,661  |
| 30.6.32(a) .. | 71,647,869 | 7,093,817  | 22,951,758 | 2,127,288 | 10,217,739 | 1,581,718 | 40,440  | 274,836 | 115,940,465 |
| 30.6.33 ..    | 72,307,685 | 7,587,472  | 23,453,017 | 2,204,022 | 10,064,464 | 1,645,053 | 38,411  | 225,054 | 117,525,178 |
| 30.6.34 ..    | 75,714,070 | 8,361,264  | 24,834,273 | 2,304,751 | 10,398,972 | 1,714,882 | 44,251  | 236,436 | 123,608,399 |
| 30.6.35 ..    | 77,906,402 | 8,910,707  | 26,196,599 | 2,508,233 | 10,929,010 | 1,854,283 | 53,541  | 229,896 | 128,588,671 |
| 30.6.36 ..    | 79,999,948 | 9,487,318  | 27,131,659 | 2,702,422 | 11,517,220 | 1,981,090 | 57,700  | 238,685 | 133,116,042 |
| 30.6.37 ..    | 81,952,399 | 9,965,266  | 27,304,438 | 2,917,184 | 11,834,794 | 2,123,853 | 59,127  | 259,127 | 136,416,188 |
| 30.6.38 ..    | 86,015,685 | 10,734,968 | 28,206,457 | 3,091,789 | 12,037,486 | 2,220,186 | 67,921  | 292,461 | 142,666,953 |
| 30.6.39 ..    | 87,473,789 | 11,242,366 | 29,044,712 | 3,166,990 | 12,396,191 | 2,357,983 | 98,814  | 318,804 | 146,099,649 |
| 30.6.40 ..    | 82,110,900 | 11,784,730 | 23,251,873 | 3,093,912 | 11,860,151 | 2,297,110 | 191,926 | 350,234 | 139,940,836 |
| 1939—         |            |            |            |           |            |           |         |         |             |
| Oct. ..       | 86,751,263 | 11,360,610 | 29,620,038 | 3,195,978 | 12,451,892 | 2,346,770 | 126,537 | 339,196 | 146,192,284 |
| Nov. ..       | 86,684,205 | 11,515,294 | 29,886,617 | 3,227,772 | 12,540,002 | 2,346,838 | 137,907 | 340,123 | 146,678,458 |
| Dec. ..       | 86,580,957 | 11,586,197 | 29,711,714 | 3,210,907 | 12,441,588 | 2,330,064 | 145,182 | 340,801 | 146,347,410 |
| 1940—         |            |            |            |           |            |           |         |         |             |
| Oct. ..       | 84,568,163 | 12,728,909 | 29,499,415 | 3,248,639 | 12,232,488 | 2,327,425 | 246,399 | 357,791 | 145,209,229 |
| Nov. ..       | 85,109,821 | 12,959,546 | 29,623,927 | 3,293,076 | 12,326,696 | 2,341,978 | 259,335 | 362,606 | 146,276,985 |
| Dec. ..       | 84,884,067 | 12,956,000 | 29,277,585 | 3,274,258 | 12,202,514 | 2,321,910 | 261,832 | 361,901 | 145,540,066 |

(a) Government Savings Banks of New South Wales and Western Australia were taken over on 14th December 1931, and 31st October, 1931, respectively. The deposits taken over were:—New South Wales, £55,212,924 Australian Capital Territory, £50,569, and Western Australia, £7,255,591.

## BANK CLEARING HOUSES.—AVERAGE WEEKLY VALUE OF BILLS, CHEQUES, ETC., CLEARED.

| Weekly Average.            | Sydney.          |  | Melbourne.       |  | Brisbane | Adelaide | Perth. | Hobart. |
|----------------------------|------------------|--|------------------|--|----------|----------|--------|---------|
|                            | Averages of—     |  | Averages of—     |  |          |          |        |         |
|                            | Total Clearings. | Clearings less Treasury Bills transactions.(a) | Total Clearings. | Clearings less Treasury Bills transactions.(a) |          |          |        |         |
|                            | £'000.           | £'000.   | £'000.           | £'000.   | £'000.   | £'000.   | £'000. | £'000.  |
| Year 1932 .. .. .          | 13,999           | 11,249   | 12,538           | 11,319   | 2,704    | 2,042    | 1,446  | 368     |
| „ 1933 .. .. .             | 17,116           | 12,295   | 13,034           | 11,870   | 2,843    | 2,152    | 1,528  | 381     |
| „ 1934 .. .. .             | 18,634           | 13,727   | 14,031           | 12,966   | 3,174    | 2,274    | 1,622  | 431     |
| „ 1935 .. .. .             | 19,623           | 14,875   | 14,889           | 13,885   | 3,486    | 2,544    | 1,815  | 474     |
| „ 1936 .. .. .             | 20,894           | 16,101   | 15,255           | 14,430   | 3,610    | 2,674    | 1,947  | 529     |
| „ 1937 .. .. .             | 23,003           | 17,968   | 17,021           | 16,188   | 3,920    | 3,021    | 2,011  | 573     |
| „ 1938 .. .. .             | 23,227           | 18,065   | 16,855           | 16,076   | 4,164    | 3,048    | 2,092  | 590     |
| „ 1939 .. .. .             | 23,428           | 17,930   | 16,627           | 15,626   | 4,288    | 2,930    | 2,059  | 652     |
| 1940—                      |                  |  |                  |  |          |          |        |         |
| 25th June to 29th July ..  | 26,552           | 22,209   | 19,399           | 19,162   | 5,495    | 3,420    | 2,281  | 764     |
| 30th July to 26th Aug. ..  | 24,983           | 18,890   | 16,999           | 16,642   | 4,520    | 2,993    | 2,019  | 581     |
| 27th Aug. to 30th Sept. .. | 24,764           | 20,155   | 17,502           | 17,182   | 4,784    | 3,151    | 2,057  | 601     |
| 1st Oct. to 28th Oct. . .  | 25,525           | 19,786   | 20,086           | 19,239   | 4,813    | 3,148    | 2,222  | 628     |
| 29th Oct. to 25th Nov. ..  | 27,367           | 20,961   | 20,292           | 19,303   | 4,580    | 3,361    | 2,067  | 597     |
| 26th Nov. to 30th Dec. ..  | 28,059           | 22,982   | 22,443           | 21,670   | 4,822    | 3,837    | 2,554  | 668     |

(a) Average weekly clearings exclusive of transactions connected with the issue and redemption of Treasury Bills. These abnormal transactions have been in operation in Victoria since October, 1929, and in New South Wales, since October, 1930.

## Section V.—Railways, Aircraft, Motor Vehicles and Wireless.

## A.—Railways.

## RAILWAYS (GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE) OPEN FOR TRAFFIC.

NOTE.—The mileage of private lines is shown in brackets and refers to lines available for general traffic only.

| Heading.             | 1935-36.     | 1936-37.     | 1937-38.     | 1938-39.     | 1939-40.     |
|----------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|                      | Miles.       | Miles.       | Miles.       | Miles.       | Miles.       |
| Government—          |              |              |              |              |              |
| Commonwealth ..      | 2,145        | 2,145        | 2,201        | 2,201        | 2,201        |
| New South Wales ..   | 6,124 (80)   | 6,124 (90)   | 6,113 (90)   | 6,114 (97)   | 6,141 (97)   |
| Victoria ..          | 4,721 (25)   | 4,721 (25)   | 4,721 (25)   | 4,759 (25)   | 4,759 (25)   |
| Queensland ..        | 6,567 (246)  | 6,567 (228)  | 6,567 (212)  | 6,567 (183)  | 6,567 (183)  |
| South Australia ..   | 2,529 (51)   | 2,529 (51)   | 2,557 (51)   | 2,557 (51)   | 2,557 (51)   |
| Western Australia .. | 4,358 (277)  | 4,357 (277)  | 4,376 (277)  | 4,378 (277)  | 4,381 (277)  |
| Tasmania ..          | 645 (132)    | 651 (132)    | 651 (132)    | 658 (132)    | 645 (132)    |
| Total ..             | 27,089 (811) | 27,094 (803) | 27,186 (787) | 27,234 (765) | 27,251 (765) |



## GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.

## CAPITAL COST OF CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPMENT.

| Government.          | 1935-36.    | 1936-37.      | 1937-38.       | 1938-39     | 1939-40.    |
|----------------------|-------------|---------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|
|                      | £           | £             | £              | £           | £           |
| Commonwealth ..      | 15,899,638  | 16,081,606    | 16,897,209     | 17,032,884  | 17,191,356  |
| New South Wales ..   | 143,843,072 | 145,257,282   | 146,808,073    | 147,617,530 | 149,203,908 |
| Victoria ..          | 76,534,378  | 77,164,316    | (a) 51,764,255 | 52,448,789  | 52,037,722  |
| Queensland ..        | 36,264,700  | 36,818,984    | 37,446,264     | 37,897,129  | 38,369,254  |
| South Australia ..   | 29,066,465  | 29,203,229    | 29,582,615     | 29,732,889  | 30,109,220  |
| Western Australia .. | 25,297,832  | 25,470,403    | 25,779,661     | 26,021,781  | 26,187,632  |
| Tasmania ..          | 6,672,329   | (b) 2,033,045 | 2,106,081      | 2,140,330   | 2,155,261   |
| Total (c) ..         | 337,940,914 | 336,391,365   | 314,746,658    | 317,253,832 | 319,616,853 |

(a) The capital indebtedness was reduced by £25,684,423 on 1st July, 1937. (b) The capital indebtedness was reduced by £4,378,000 on 1st July, 1936. (c) Inclusive of £4,362,500 for Grafton-South Brisbane line.

## AVERAGE MILES WORKED.

| Government.          | 1935-36. | 1936-37. | 1937-38. | 1938-39. | 1939-40. |
|----------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Commonwealth ..      | 2,145    | 2,145    | 2,197    | 2,201    | 2,201    |
| New South Wales ..   | 6,124    | 6,124    | 6,114    | 6,114    | 6,118    |
| Victoria ..          | 4,721    | 4,721    | 4,721    | 4,754    | 4,759    |
| Queensland ..        | 6,567    | 6,567    | 6,567    | 6,567    | 6,567    |
| South Australia ..   | 2,529    | 2,529    | 2,555    | 2,557    | 2,557    |
| Western Australia .. | 4,358    | 4,357    | 4,374    | 4,376    | 4,380    |
| Tasmania ..          | 645      | 651      | 651      | 658      | 644      |
| Total ..             | 27,089   | 27,094   | 27,179   | 27,227   | 27,226   |

## TRAFFIC TRAIN MILES RUN (a)—'000 OMITTED.

|                      |        |        |        |        |        |
|----------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Commonwealth ..      | 582    | 721    | 758    | 902    | 958    |
| New South Wales ..   | 27,701 | 28,547 | 30,203 | 30,106 | 29,471 |
| Victoria ..          | 16,391 | 17,211 | 17,917 | 17,890 | 17,008 |
| Queensland ..        | 12,386 | 12,963 | 13,648 | 13,927 | 14,190 |
| South Australia ..   | 5,462  | 5,606  | 6,111  | 6,177  | 5,928  |
| Western Australia .. | 6,095  | 6,075  | 6,372  | 6,575  | 6,134  |
| Tasmania ..          | 1,659  | 1,864  | 1,933  | 1,906  | 2,064  |
| Total ..             | 70,276 | 72,987 | 76,942 | 77,483 | 75,753 |

(a) Exclusive of "Assistant" and "Light" mileages.

## GROSS EARNINGS—£'000 OMITTED.

|                      |        |        |        |        |        |
|----------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Commonwealth ..      | 387    | 442    | 443    | 547    | 622    |
| New South Wales ..   | 17,754 | 18,616 | 20,286 | 19,946 | 20,755 |
| Victoria ..          | 9,690  | 10,135 | 9,735  | 9,284  | 9,861  |
| Queensland ..        | 6,698  | 7,092  | 7,383  | 7,798  | 8,090  |
| South Australia ..   | 2,878  | 3,008  | 3,285  | 3,119  | 3,168  |
| Western Australia .. | 3,446  | 3,462  | 3,678  | 3,599  | 3,556  |
| Tasmania ..          | 449    | 479    | 464    | 487    | 536    |
| Total ..             | 41,302 | 43,234 | 45,274 | 44,780 | 46,588 |

## GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—continued.

| Government.                     | 1935-36. | 1936-37. | 1937-38. | 1938-39. | 1939-40. |
|---------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| WORKING EXPENSES—£'000 OMITTED. |          |          |          |          |          |
| Commonwealth .. .. .            | 387      | 411      | 512      | 642      | 842      |
| New South Wales .. .. .         | 11,848   | 12,355   | 13,760   | 14,543   | 14,647   |
| Victoria .. .. .                | 6,857    | 7,259    | 7,830    | 8,060    | 8,058    |
| Queensland .. .. .              | 5,213    | 5,465    | 5,887    | 6,193    | 6,368    |
| South Australia .. .. .         | 2,414    | 2,557    | 2,867    | 2,931    | 2,937    |
| Western Australia .. .. .       | 2,488    | 2,620    | 2,710    | 2,911    | 2,828    |
| Tasmania .. .. .                | 561      | 620      | 676      | 678      | 688      |
| Total .. .. .                   | 29,768   | 31,287   | 34,242   | 35,958   | 36,368   |

## NET EARNINGS—£'000 OMITTED.

|                           |        |        |        |       |        |
|---------------------------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|
| Commonwealth .. .. .      | ..     | 31     | —69    | —95   | —220   |
| New South Wales .. .. .   | 5,906  | 6,261  | 6,526  | 5,403 | 6,108  |
| Victoria .. .. .          | 2,833  | 2,876  | 1,905  | 1,224 | 1,803  |
| Queensland .. .. .        | 1,485  | 1,627  | 1,496  | 1,605 | 1,722  |
| South Australia .. .. .   | 464    | 451    | 418    | 188   | 231    |
| Western Australia .. .. . | 958    | 842    | 968    | 688   | 728    |
| Tasmania .. .. .          | —112   | —141   | —212   | —191  | —152   |
| Total .. .. .             | 11,534 | 11,947 | 11,032 | 8,822 | 10,220 |

Minus sign (—) denotes loss.

## PERCENTAGE OF NET EARNINGS ON CAPITAL COST.

|                           |       |        |          |          |          |
|---------------------------|-------|--------|----------|----------|----------|
| Commonwealth .. .. .      | %     | %      | %        | %        | %        |
| New South Wales .. .. .   | 4.11  | 4.31   | 4.45     | 3.66     | 4.09     |
| Victoria .. .. .          | 3.70  | 3.73   | (a) 3.68 | (a) 2.33 | (a) 3.47 |
| Queensland .. .. .        | 4.09  | 4.42   | 3.99     | 4.24     | 4.49     |
| South Australia .. .. .   | 1.60  | 1.55   | 1.41     | 0.63     | 0.77     |
| Western Australia .. .. . | 3.79  | 3.31   | 3.75     | 2.64     | 2.78     |
| Tasmania .. .. .          | —1.68 | b—6.96 | b—10.06  | b—8.91   | b—7.02   |
| Total(c) .. .. .          | 3.41  | 3.55   | 3.55     | 2.78     | 3.20     |

Minus sign (—) denotes loss.

(a) The capital indebtedness was reduced by £25,684,423 on 1st July, 1937.

(b) The capital indebtedness was reduced by £4,378,000 on 1st July, 1936.

(c) Includes Grafton—South Brisbane line.

## GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.

## PARTICULARS FOR QUARTER ENDED SEPTEMBER, 1939.

| Particulars.                                 | C'wealth. | N.S.W.    | Vic.     | Q'land(a) | S.A.(b) | W.A.      | Tas.     | Total.   |
|--|-----------|-----------|----------|-----------|---------|-----------|----------|----------|
| Miles open .. .. .                           | 2,201     | 6,114     | 4,759    | 6,497.    | 2,558   | 4,381     | 658      | 27,168   |
| cRevenue—                                    |           |           |          |           |         |           |          |          |
| cCoaching (Passengers, Parcels, Mails, &c.)£ | 52        | 1,855     | 1,009    | 551       | 180     | 165       | 28       | 3,840    |
| cGoods, including Live Stock and Minerals £  | 73        | 2,965     | 976      | 1,741     | 495     | 664       | 84       | 6,998    |
| cMiscellaneous .. .. .                       | 33        | (d) 250   | 174      | (e) 51    | 21      | 4         | 4        | 533      |
| cTotal Revenue .. .. .                       | 158       | (f) 5,070 | 2,159    | 2,292     | 726     | 850       | 116      | 11,371   |
| cExpenditure .. .. .                         | £ 195     | 3,528     | 1,981    | 1,622     | 681     | 753       | (g) 146  | 8,906    |
| cTrain miles run .. .. .                     | 248       | 7,458     | 4,308    | 3,969     | 1,497   | (h) 1,540 | (i) 492  | 19,512   |
| Earnings per train mile                      | 12s. 10d. | 13s. 7d.  | 10s. 0d. | 11s. 7d.  | 9s. 8d. | 11s. 0d.  | 4s. 8d.  | 11s. 8d. |
| Expenditure per train mile                   | 15s. 9d.  | 9s. 6d.   | 9s. 2d.  | 8s. 2d.   | 9s. 1d. | 9s. 9d.   | 5s. 11d. | 9s. 2d.  |
| Expenditure per cent. on Earnings .. .. .    | 123.14    | 69.59     | 91.74    | 70.78     | 93.76   | 88.58     | 126.36   | 78.32    |
| cPassenger Journeys, No.                     | 34        | 43,860    | 36,023   | 6,602     | 4,264   | 2,651     | 521      | 93,955   |
| cCoal and Coke carried, tons .. .. .         | 3         | 2,364     | 61       | 202       | 40      | 76        | 128      | 2,874    |
| cOther Minerals carried, tons .. .. .        | 1         | 427       | (j)      | 143       | 167     | (k) 53    | (l)      | 791      |
| cLive stock carried, tons                    | 21        | 187       | 131      | 153       | 44      | 30        | 6        | 572      |
| cOther Goods carried ..                      | 31        | 1,368     | 1,054    | 1,416     | 317     | 425       | 84       | 4,695    |
| cTotal Freight carried ..                    | 56        | 4,346     | 1,246    | 1,914     | 568     | 584       | 218      | 8,932    |

(a) Excludes Grafton—South Brisbane line.

(b) Including Road Motors.

(c) '000 omitted.

(d) From sale of electrical energy only; other miscellaneous included with Coaching and Goods.

(e) Included with Coaching.

(f) Excluding Governmental contributions towards losses on non-paying developmental lines.

(g) Excluding depreciation.

(h) Including Assistant and Light miles.

(i) Including Assistant, Light and Rail-Motor miles.

(j) Included with Other Goods.

(k) Miscellaneous, including Ores and Minerals.

(l) Included with Coal and Coke.

## GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—continued.

## PARTICULARS FOR QUARTER ENDED SEPTEMBER, 1940.

| Particulars.                                     | C'wealth. | N.S.W.    | Vic.      | Q'land.<br>(a) | S.A.(b)  | W.A.      | Tas.    | Total.    |
|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------------|----------|-----------|---------|-----------|
| Miles open .. ..                                 | 2,201     | 6,141     | 4,759     | 6,497          | 2,557    | 4,381     | 642     | 27,178    |
| cRevenue—  |           |           |           |                |          |           |         |           |
| cCoaching (Passengers,<br>Parcels, Mails, &c.) £ | 68        | 2,072     | 1,199     | 576            | 204      | 189       | 38      | 4,346     |
| cGoods, including Live<br>Stock and Minerals £   | 75        | 3,711     | 1,207     | 1,823          | 609      | 648       | 92      | 8,165     |
| cMiscellaneous £                                 | 70        | (d) 274   | 222       | (e) 58         | 23       | 5         | 5       | 652       |
| cTotal Revenue £                                 | 213       | (f) 6,057 | 2,628     | 2,399          | 871      | 860       | 135     | 13,163    |
| cExpenditure £                                   | 192       | 3,656     | 2,034     | 1,657          | 666      | 695       | (g) 152 | 9,052     |
| cTrain miles run ..                              | 284       | 8,195     | 4,413     | 4,072          | 1,495    | (h) 1,491 | (i) 528 | 20,478    |
| Earnings per train mile                          | 15s. 0d.  | 14s. 9d.  | 11s. 11d. | 11s. 9d.       | 11s. 8d. | 11s. 6d.  | 5s. 1d. | 12s. 10d. |
| Expenditure per train<br>mile .. ..              | 13s. 6d.  | 8s. 11d.  | 9s. 3d.   | 8s. 2d.        | 8s. 11d. | 9s. 4d.   | 5s. 9d. | 8s. 10d.  |
| Expenditure per cent. on<br>Earnings .. ..       | 89.94     | 60.35     | 77.39     | 69.09          | 76.47    | 80.86     | 112.65  | 68.77     |
| cPassenger Journeys, No.                         | 39        | 46,381    | 38,615    | 7,008          | 4,573    | 2,718     | 659     | 99,993    |
| cCoal and Coke carried,<br>tons .. ..            | 3         | 2,660     | 72        | 257            | 31       | 71        | 102     | 3,196     |
| cOther Minerals carried,<br>tons .. ..           | 6         | 402       | (j)       | 135            | 166      | (k) 49    | (l)     | 758       |
| cLive stock carried, tons                        | 21        | 201       | 153       | 181            | 50       | 27        | 6       | 639       |
| cOther Goods carried „                           | 33        | 1,901     | 1,397     | 1,440          | 542      | 435       | 125     | 5,873     |
| cTotal Freight carried „                         | 63        | 5,164     | 1,622     | 2,013          | 789      | 582       | 233     | 10,466    |

(a) Excludes Graffton—South Brisbane line. (b) Including Road Motors. (c) '000 omitted.  
 (d) From sale of electrical energy only; other miscellaneous included with Coaching and Goods.  
 (e) Included with Coaching. (f) Excluding Governmental contributions towards losses on  
 non-paying developmental lines. (g) Excluding depreciation. (h) Including Assistant and  
 Light Miles. (i) Including Assistant, Light and Rail-Motor Miles. (j) Included  
 with Other Goods. (k) Miscellaneous, including Ores and Minerals. (l) Included with Coal  
 and Coke.

## B.—Civil Aviation.(a)

| Particulars.                            | Quarter ended September— |           |             |             |            |
|---|--------------------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|------------|
|   | 1936.                    | 1937.     | 1938.       | 1939.       | 1940.(b)   |
| Registered Aircraft owners              |                          |           |             |             |            |
| (c) .. .. No.                           | 124                      | 102       | 139         | 149         | 137        |
| Registered Aircraft(c) .. ..            | 228                      | 214       | 286         | 296         | 288        |
| Licensed Pilots—(c)                     |                          |           |             |             |            |
| Private .. ..                           | 714                      | 744       | 937         | 1,096       | 1,225      |
| Commercial .. ..                        | 236                      | 265       | 323         | 346         | 324        |
| Licensed Ground Engi-<br>neers(c) .. .. | 295                      | 346       | 437         | 525         | 651        |
| Aerodromes—(c)                          |                          |           |             |             |            |
| Government .. ..                        | 63                       | 72        | 74          | 71          | 73         |
| Public .. ..                            | 171                      | 183       | 197         | 213         | 224        |
| Government Emer-<br>gency Grounds .. .. | 148                      | 151       | 153         | 147         | 141        |
| Hours flown .. ..                       | 19,830                   | 24,958    | 30,013      | 29,133      | 20,270     |
| Approximate mileage .. Miles            | 1,988,520                | 2,648,411 | 3,374,583   | 3,113,471   | 2,439,058  |
| Passengers carried—                     |                          |           |             |             |            |
| Paying .. .. No.                        | 17,782                   | 25,396    | 31,851      | 30,284      | 28,054     |
| Non-paying .. ..                        | 3,834                    | 4,968     | 6,165       | 7,625       | 2,592      |
| Total .. ..                             | 21,616                   | 30,364    | 38,016      | 37,909      | 30,646     |
| Goods, Weight carried .. lb.            | 196,047                  | 275,357   | 379,636     | 466,934     | 421,859    |
| Mails, Weight carried .. „              | 37,547                   | 53,078    | (d) 131,508 | (d) 167,828 | (d) 88,926 |
| Accidents—                              |                          |           |             |             |            |
| Persons killed .. No.                   | 2                        | 3         | 5           | ..          | ..         |
| Persons injured .. „                    | 2                        | 3         | 6           | ..          | ..         |

(a) Includes particulars of the Darwin-Singapore oversea service, but exclusive of those relating to  
 civil aviation in New Guinea. (b) Subject to revision. (c) At 30th June. (d) Includes gross  
 weight of oversea mail.

## C.—Telephones.

| Particulars.               | At 30th<br>June, 1937. | At 30th<br>June, 1938. | At 30th<br>June, 1939. | At 30th<br>June, 1940. | At 31st<br>Dec., 1940. |
|----------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Lines connected.. .. No.   | 440,471                | 465,408                | 487,535                | 506,612                | 515,637                |
| Instruments connected .. „ | 594,855                | 630,175                | 661,996                | 691,088                | 704,868                |



## D.—Motor Vehicles.

| States and Territories.         | No. of Registrations. |                            |               |         | Drivers' and Riders' Licences Issued. | Gross Revenue.                        |                                     |                 |           |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|---------------|---------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------|
|                                 | Motor Cars.           | Com-mercial Ve-hicles, &c. | Motor Cycles. | Total.  |                                       | Vehicles' Registration and Motor Tax. | Drivers' and Riders' &c., Licences. | Miscel-laneous. | Total.    |
|                                 |                       |                            |               |         |                                       | £                                     | £                                   | £               | £         |
| 1939-40.                        |                       |                            |               |         |                                       |                                       |                                     |                 |           |
| New South Wales ..              | 210,808               | 75,887                     | 21,542        | 308,237 | 472,595                               | 2,538,903                             | 243,502                             | 106,472         | 2,888,877 |
| Victoria ..                     | 156,337               | 84,575                     | 25,765        | 266,677 | 370,838                               | 1,844,901                             | 93,126                              | 43,655          | 1,981,682 |
| Queensland ..                   | 77,037                | 44,689                     | 8,031         | 129,757 | 163,864                               | 921,782                               | 64,923                              | 59,169          | 1,045,874 |
| South Australia ..              | 56,510                | 23,966                     | 8,825         | 89,301  | 129,950                               | 628,378                               | 58,468                              | 12,540          | 699,386   |
| Western Australia ..            | 38,930                | 25,135                     | 6,791         | 70,856  | 86,986                                | 403,215                               | 27,067                              | 25,786          | 456,068   |
| Tasmania ..                     | 17,598                | 5,235                      | 3,351         | 26,184  | 31,148                                | 175,675                               | 15,574                              | 23,588          | 214,837   |
| Northern Territory              | 459                   | 1,061                      | 100           | 1,620   | 2,029                                 | 2,777                                 | 815                                 | ..              | 3,592     |
| Australian Capital Territory .. | 1,854                 | 446                        | 91            | 2,391   | 3,371                                 | 14,062                                | 1,908                               | 99              | 16,069    |
| Total ..                        | 559,533               | 260,994                    | 74,496        | 895,023 | 1,260,781                             | 6,529,693                             | 505,383                             | 271,309         | 7,306,385 |
| Total, 1938-39 ..               | 562,271               | 258,025                    | 79,237        | 899,533 | 1,238,497                             | 6,318,435                             | 508,387                             | 244,722         | 7,071,544 |

## REGISTRATIONS AT THE 31ST DECEMBER, 1940.

| Vehicles.                       | N.S.W.  | Vic.    | Qld.    | S.A.   | (a)W.A. | Tas.   | (b)N.T. | A.C.T. | Total.  |
|---------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|--------|---------|--------|---------|--------|---------|
| Motor Cars ..                   | 208,783 | 152,981 | 76,501  | 58,184 | 34,826  | 18,026 | 459     | 1,948  | 551,708 |
| Commercial Vehicles, &c. ..     | 76,514  | 87,872  | 45,606  | 24,499 | 22,715  | 5,482  | 1,061   | 432    | 264,181 |
| Motor Cycles ..                 | 21,275  | 25,808  | 8,314   | 9,215  | 5,952   | 3,412  | 100     | 87     | 74,163  |
| Total ..                        | 306,572 | 266,661 | 130,421 | 91,898 | 63,493  | 26,920 | 1,620   | 2,467  | 890,052 |
| Total at 31st December, 1939 .. | 319,157 | 263,389 | 130,868 | 94,577 | 63,534  | 26,354 | 1,426   | 2,441  | 901,746 |

(a) Includes extra-metropolitan area as at 30th November, 1940.

(b) At 30th June, 1940.

## REGISTRATIONS OF NEW VEHICLES DURING THE SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER, 1940.

| Vehicles.                                | N.S.W. | Vic.  | Qld.  | (a)S.A. | (b)W.A. | Tas.  | A.C.T. | Total. |
|--|--------|-------|-------|---------|---------|-------|--------|--------|
| Motor Cars ..                            | 3,173  | 2,578 | 1,346 | 989     | 395     | 276   | 23     | 8,780  |
| Commercial Vehicles, &c. ..              | 1,667  | 1,510 | 1,078 | 507     | 153     | 204   | 5      | 5,124  |
| Motor Cycles ..                          | 581    | 434   | 189   | 170     | 60      | 52    | 1      | 1,487  |
| Total ..                                 | 5,421  | 4,522 | 2,613 | 1,666   | 608     | 532   | 29     | 15,391 |
| Total Six months ended December, 1939 .. | 12,687 | 9,920 | 6,121 | 3,361   | 1,318   | 1,171 | 106    | 34,684 |

(a) Exclusive of Northern Territory.

(b) Metropolitan Area only.

NOTE.—In each of the tables above particulars of Primary Producers' Vehicles, Victoria, are included under the heading "Commercial Vehicles, etc."

## E.—Wireless.

## NUMBER OF BROADCAST LISTENERS' LICENCES.

| In force at—       | N.S.W. (a) | Victoria. | Q'land. (b) | S. Aust. (c) | W. Aust. | Tasmania. | Australia. |
|--------------------|------------|-----------|-------------|--------------|----------|-----------|------------|
| 30th June, 1928 .. | 79,931     | 137,503   | 25,211      | 20,247       | 3,727    | 3,141     | 269,760    |
| " " 1929 ..        | 100,798    | 142,534   | 24,660      | 25,944       | 3,841    | 4,751     | 300,528    |
| " " 1930 ..        | 111,080    | 139,887   | 23,263      | 25,671       | 5,715    | 6,032     | 311,648    |
| " " 1931 ..        | 122,470    | 137,005   | 24,108      | 30,238       | 9,075    | 8,232     | 331,128    |
| " " 1932 ..        | 141,450    | 139,323   | 28,958      | 37,142       | 12,679   | 9,540     | 369,092    |
| " " 1933 ..        | 178,000    | 170,995   | 36,186      | 50,150       | 20,536   | 12,563    | 468,430    |
| " " 1934 ..        | 226,831    | 206,995   | 52,038      | 64,174       | 31,404   | 16,547    | 597,989    |
| " " 1935 ..        | 278,648    | 236,886   | 67,369      | 76,365       | 41,176   | 20,088    | 720,532    |
| " " 1936 ..        | 315,731    | 263,414   | 83,028      | 87,335       | 49,987   | 24,118    | 823,613    |
| " " 1937 ..        | 358,292    | 288,717   | 101,358     | 99,033       | 61,151   | 29,780    | 938,331    |
| " " 1938 ..        | 403,978    | 315,406   | 117,496     | 111,787      | 71,324   | 36,013    | 1,056,004  |
| " " 1939 ..        | 433,029    | 327,579   | 133,217     | 117,307      | 79,262   | 39,392    | 1,129,786  |
| " " 1940 ..        | 458,155    | 348,158   | 151,110     | 124,891      | 87,764   | 42,182    | 1,212,260  |
| 31st Dec., 1940 .. | 483,875    | 354,895   | 161,330     | 127,995      | 90,249   | 44,303    | 1,262,647  |

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes Papua.

(c) Includes Northern Territory.

## Section VI.—Labour and Industrial Statistics.

## TRADE UNIONS.

## Number of Trade Unions, Branch Unions and Membership.

| Year.                      | N.S.W. | Vic. | Q'land. | S.A. | W.A. | Tas. | N.T. | A.O.T. | Total. | Australia<br>(a) (b). |
|----------------------------|--------|------|---------|------|------|------|------|--------|--------|-----------------------|
| NUMBER OF SEPARATE UNIONS. |        |      |         |      |      |      |      |        |        |                       |
| 1935                       | 182    | 147  | 109     | 112  | 130  | 77   | 4    | 15     | 776    | (a)354                |
| 1936                       | 184    | 147  | 111     | 114  | 132  | 76   | 5    | 15     | 784    | (a)356                |
| 1937                       | 184    | 147  | 110     | 113  | 132  | 76   | 6    | 15     | 783    | (a)358                |
| 1938                       | 194    | 147  | 111     | 114  | 136  | 78   | 6    | 15     | 801    | (a)366                |
| 1939                       | 200    | 149  | 114     | 117  | 141  | 79   | 4    | 15     | 819    | (a)380                |

## NUMBER OF BRANCHES.

|      |     |     |     |     |     |    |    |   |       |          |
|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|---|-------|----------|
| 1935 | 584 | 399 | 321 | 183 | 190 | 77 | .. | 1 | 1,755 | (b)2,177 |
| 1936 | 559 | 396 | 314 | 177 | 211 | 71 | .. | 1 | 1,729 | (b)2,157 |
| 1937 | 571 | 396 | 309 | 171 | 198 | 70 | .. | 1 | 1,716 | (b)2,141 |
| 1938 | 573 | 400 | 314 | 179 | 202 | 58 | .. | 1 | 1,727 | (b)2,162 |
| 1939 | 598 | 398 | 312 | 178 | 204 | 69 | .. | 1 | 1,760 | (b)2,199 |

## NUMBER OF MEMBERS.

|      |         |         |         |        |        |        |     |       |         |         |
|------|---------|---------|---------|--------|--------|--------|-----|-------|---------|---------|
| 1935 | 309,689 | 199,132 | 148,127 | 59,102 | 58,315 | 14,556 | 851 | 1,058 | 790,830 | 790,830 |
| 1936 | 315,517 | 201,616 | 158,953 | 59,900 | 60,762 | 15,839 | 992 | 1,230 | 814,809 | 814,809 |
| 1937 | 333,879 | 209,794 | 162,212 | 63,770 | 65,053 | 19,208 | 912 | 1,455 | 856,283 | 856,283 |
| 1938 | 346,837 | 215,021 | 169,569 | 62,404 | 67,932 | 21,051 | 806 | 1,538 | 885,158 | 885,158 |
| 1939 | 358,391 | 216,803 | 180,653 | 67,282 | 67,833 | 22,062 | 761 | 1,685 | 915,470 | 915,470 |

(a) Allowing for Interstate duplication. The figures represent the number of distinct organizations and Interstate groups of organizations in Australia. They do not represent the total number of organizations which are practically independent and self-governing. (b) Includes not only branches of separate State unions and sub-branches in each State of Interstate unions, but also head State branches of Interstate unions.

## UNEMPLOYMENT IN TRADE UNIONS.

## Unemployment—Australia.—Number and Membership of Reporting Unions and Branches, and Number and Percentage Unemployed(a).

| Particulars. |           |            |    |    | Unions. | Membership. | UNEMPLOYED. |                    |
|--------------|-----------|------------|----|----|---------|-------------|-------------|--------------------|
|              |           |            |    |    |         |             | Number.     | Percentage.<br>(b) |
| 1936         | Year      | ..         | .. | .. | 392     | 441,311     | 53,992      | 12.2               |
| 1937         | "         | ..         | .. | .. | 387     | 449,538     | 41,823      | 9.2                |
| 1938         | "         | ..         | .. | .. | 390     | 466,325     | 40,138      | 8.7                |
| 1939         | "         | ..         | .. | .. | 396     | 476,918     | 45,967      | 9.7                |
| 1940         | "         | ..         | .. | .. | 394     | 491,352     | 39,116      | 8.0                |
| 1932,        | June      | Quarter(c) | .. | .. | 396     | 413,742     | 124,068     | 30.0               |
| 1937,        | March     | "          | .. | .. | 388     | 443,446     | 44,004      | 9.9                |
|              | June      | "          | .. | .. | 387     | 447,714     | 43,584      | 9.7                |
|              | September | "          | .. | .. | 387     | 451,584     | 42,145      | 9.3                |
|              | December  | "          | .. | .. | 387     | 445,608     | 37,558      | 8.2                |
| 1938,        | March     | "          | .. | .. | 386     | 462,918     | 37,111      | 8.0                |
|              | June      | "          | .. | .. | 386     | 464,208     | 39,824      | 8.6                |
|              | September | "          | .. | .. | 394     | 468,634     | 43,092      | 9.2                |
|              | December  | "          | .. | .. | 395     | 471,581     | 42,077      | 8.9                |
| 1939,        | March     | "          | .. | .. | 395     | 474,277     | 45,545      | 9.6                |
|              | June      | "          | .. | .. | 398     | 477,149     | 45,183      | 9.5                |
|              | September | "          | .. | .. | 397     | 478,000     | 48,888      | 10.2               |
|              | December  | "          | .. | .. | 392     | 478,245     | 44,253      | 9.3                |
| 1940,        | March     | "          | .. | .. | 394     | 483,806     | 38,307      | 7.9                |
|              | June      | "          | .. | .. | 388     | 475,815     | 49,775      | 10.5               |
|              | September | "          | .. | .. | 397     | 496,872     | 36,892      | 7.4                |
|              | December  | "          | .. | .. | 396     | 508,914     | 31,491      | 6.2                |

NOTE.—The unions covered by the returns represent 54 per cent. of the total membership of unions, and relate to between 20 and 25 per cent. of all wage and salary earners. The value of the percentages of unemployment derived from Trade Union returns is in the indication they give of the trend of unemployment among trade unionists as reported by secretaries of Trade Unions.

(a) The quarterly figures show the number of persons who were out of work for three days or more during a specified week in each quarter: they do not include persons out of work through strikes or lockouts, except those outside the industry concerned who are indirectly affected. The annual figures represent the average of the four quarters. (b) A more extended table of percentages will be found on page 74. (c) Peak of unemployment.

## Unemployment(a)—States—Percentage Unemployed.

| Period.    |            |     |    | N.S.W. | Vic. | Q'land. | S.A. | W.A. | Tas. | Aust. |
|------------|------------|-----|----|--------|------|---------|------|------|------|-------|
|            |            |     |    | %      | %    | %       | %    | %    | %    | %     |
| 1935       | Year       | ..  | .. | 20.6   | 14.0 | 8.7     | 17.6 | 13.4 | 13.2 | 16.5  |
| 1936       | "          | ..  | .. | 15.4   | 10.7 | 7.8     | 10.8 | 8.1  | 9.8  | 12.2  |
| 1937       | "          | ..  | .. | 10.9   | 9.0  | 7.3     | 8.2  | 5.6  | 7.3  | 9.3   |
| 1938       | "          | ..  | .. | 9.9    | 8.6  | 6.4     | 8.3  | 5.7  | 7.9  | 8.7   |
| 1939       | "          | ..  | .. | 11.0   | 10.4 | 5.9     | 9.3  | 7.1  | 8.1  | 9.7   |
| 1940       | "          | ..  | .. | 11.0   | 5.8  | 5.5     | 7.0  | 5.6  | 5.2  | 8.0   |
| 1932—June  | Quarter(b) | ..  | .. | 33.2   | 27.7 | 19.9    | 35.2 | 30.3 | 27.5 | 30.0  |
| 1936—March | "          | ..  | .. | 17.2   | 10.8 | 8.5     | 12.2 | 10.3 | 10.8 | 13.4  |
| June       | "          | ..  | .. | 16.2   | 10.6 | 8.5     | 11.0 | 9.2  | 9.4  | 12.8  |
| September  | "          | ..  | .. | 14.8   | 11.7 | 7.2     | 10.0 | 7.4  | 9.8  | 12.0  |
| December   | "          | ..  | .. | 13.3   | 9.7  | 7.2     | 9.9  | 5.6  | 9.1  | 10.7  |
| 1937—March | "          | ..  | .. | 11.8   | 9.5  | 7.7     | 9.5  | 5.4  | 7.8  | 9.9   |
| June       | "          | ..  | .. | 11.4   | 9.6  | 7.6     | 8.3  | 5.6  | 6.9  | 9.7   |
| September  | "          | ..  | .. | 10.5   | 9.5  | 7.2     | 8.4  | 6.6  | 7.2  | 9.3   |
| December   | "          | ..  | .. | 10.1   | 7.3  | 6.6     | 6.5  | 5.0  | 7.1  | 8.2   |
| 1938—March | "          | ..  | .. | 9.6    | 7.3  | 6.6     | 6.9  | 4.8  | 5.7  | 8.0   |
| June       | "          | ..  | .. | 9.8    | 8.5  | 7.2     | 7.5  | 5.3  | 7.2  | 8.6   |
| September  | "          | ..  | .. | 10.0   | 9.7  | 6.3     | 10.0 | 6.1  | 8.5  | 9.2   |
| December   | "          | ..  | .. | 10.1   | 9.0  | 5.7     | 8.8  | 6.5  | 10.2 | 8.9   |
| 1939—March | "          | ..  | .. | 10.6   | 10.8 | 6.1     | 9.3  | 7.3  | 7.6  | 9.6   |
| June       | "          | ..  | .. | 10.6   | 10.4 | 5.7     | 9.5  | 6.2  | 9.4  | 9.5   |
| September  | "          | ..  | .. | 11.6   | 11.2 | 5.8     | 9.4  | 8.2  | 8.3  | 10.2  |
| December   | "          | ..  | .. | 11.1   | 9.0  | 5.8     | 9.1  | 6.6  | 7.1  | 9.3   |
| 1940—March | "          | ..  | .. | 9.7    | 6.5  | 5.8     | 8.5  | 6.9  | 4.8  | 7.9   |
| June       | "          | (c) | .. | 15.9   | 6.6  | 6.8     | 8.3  | 5.6  | 5.0  | 10.5  |
| September  | "          | ..  | .. | 9.8    | 5.9  | 4.9     | 6.6  | 6.0  | 4.6  | 7.4   |
| December   | "          | ..  | .. | 8.5    | 4.3  | 4.5     | 4.7  | 4.0  | 6.5  | 6.2   |

NOTE.—For some States the returns are a more representative sample than for others. The table above, therefore, should not be read as indicating the relative degree of unemployment among unionists in the individual States, but as an indication of trend of unemployment as reported by Secretaries of Trade Unions.

(a) See notes to table on page 55. (b) Peak of unemployment. (c) Coal-mining employees out of work owing to the industrial dispute were excluded from the tabulation, but persons in other industries indirectly unemployed owing to the dispute were included.

## Unemployment(a)—Australia—Percentages in Industrial Groups.

| Industrial Group.  | 1929. | 1932.   | 1939. | 1940. |             |       |      |
|--|-------|---------|-------|-------|-------------|-------|------|
|  | March | June    | Dec.  | March | June        | Sept. | Dec. |
|  | Qtr.  | Qtr.(b) | Qtr.  | Qtr.  | Qtr.<br>(c) | Qtr.  | Qtr. |
|  | %     | %       | %     | %     | %           | %     | %    |
| Manufacturing—   |       |         |       |       |             |       |      |
| I. Wood, Furniture, &c. ..                                       | 6.5   | 39.6    | 13.4  | 6.7   | 6.3         | 4.9   | 2.3  |
| II. Engineering, Metal Works, &c. ..                             | 11.2  | 33.9    | 6.8   | 5.5   | 12.9        | 4.4   | 4.1  |
| III. Food, Drink, Tobacco, &c. ..                                | 5.5   | 19.3    | 16.6  | 14.5  | 18.6        | 17.5  | 14.2 |
| IV. Clothing, Hats, Boots, &c. ..                                | 9.8   | 22.6    | 9.6   | 6.5   | 12.1        | 7.1   | 2.9  |
| V. Books, Printing, &c. ..                                       | 2.6   | 16.8    | 3.6   | 4.7   | 4.6         | 5.1   | 2.1  |
| VI. Other Manufacturing ..                                       | 13.8  | 43.0    | 9.3   | 7.9   | 6.6         | 7.5   | 6.2  |
| VII. Building ..   | 10.6  | 42.1    | 9.2   | 10.4  | 8.8         | 6.8   | 6.1  |
| VIII. Mining, Quarrying, &c. ..                                  | 13.2  | 34.2    | 15.4  | 8.6   | 10.6        | 9.4   | 8.5  |
| X. Land Transport other than Railway and Tramway Services ..     | 7.6   | 29.6    | 7.7   | 7.3   | 6.8         | 6.9   | 8.7  |
| IX., XI., XII., XIII., and XIV.(d)<br>Other and Miscellaneous .. | 7.3   | 22.2    | 7.7   | 7.5   | 9.6         | 7.3   | 6.8  |
| All Groups ..  | 9.3   | 30.0    | 9.3   | 7.9   | 10.5        | 7.4   | 6.2  |

(a) See notes to table on page 55. (b) Peak of unemployment. (c) See note (c) above.  
(d) For classification see p. 58.



## Industrial Disputes.—Number and Magnitude of Industrial Disputes (causing stoppage of work).

| Period.             | Num-ber. | Estab-lish-ments In-volved. | Workpeople Involved. |              |         | Working Days Lost. |                |         | Esti-mated Loss in Wages. £ |
|---------------------|----------|-----------------------------|----------------------|--------------|---------|--------------------|----------------|---------|-----------------------------|
|                     |          |                             | Di-rectly.           | Indi-rectly. | Total.  | New Dis-putes.     | Old Dis-putes. | Total.  |                             |
| NEW SOUTH WALES.    |          |                             |                      |              |         |                    |                |         |                             |
| Year 1939 ..        | 386      | 460                         | 139,301              | 9,230        | 148,531 | 380,249            | 29,934         | 410,183 | 419,330                     |
| 1939—Sept. Qtr.     | 104      | 158                         | 57,313               | 882          | 58,195  | 86,311             | 24,376         | 110,687 | 124,715                     |
| Dec. "              | 96       | 97                          | 27,109               | 633          | 27,742  | 85,751             | 1,398          | 87,149  | 88,174                      |
| 1940—March "        | 96       | 403                         | 87,996               | 2,970        | 90,966  | 404,077            | ..             | 404,077 | 456,878                     |
| June "              | 20       | 38                          | 3,485                | 680          | 4,165   | 6,794              | 601,804        | 608,598 | 727,510                     |
| Sept. "             | 114      | 120                         | 35,007               | 2,038        | 37,095  | 70,206             | ..             | 70,206  | 77,687                      |
| VICTORIA.           |          |                             |                      |              |         |                    |                |         |                             |
| Year 1939 ..        | 10       | 10                          | 1,989                | 180          | 2,169   | 27,313             | ..             | 27,313  | 19,946                      |
| 1939—Sept. Qtr.     | 4        | 4                           | 1,613                | ..           | 1,613   | 23,813             | ..             | 23,813  | 19,170                      |
| Dec. "              | ..       | ..                          | ..                   | ..           | ..      | ..                 | ..             | ..      | ..                          |
| 1940—March "        | 7        | 7                           | 3,569                | 282          | 3,851   | 35,105             | ..             | 35,105  | 34,905                      |
| June "              | 3        | 3                           | 345                  | ..           | 345     | 2,834              | 34,800         | 37,634  | 37,097                      |
| Sept. "             | 7        | 12                          | 3,125                | 3            | 3,128   | 7,976              | ..             | 7,976   | 6,559                       |
| QUEENSLAND.         |          |                             |                      |              |         |                    |                |         |                             |
| Year 1939 ..        | 5        | 6                           | 373                  | 2            | 375     | 1,870              | ..             | 1,870   | 1,753                       |
| 1939—Sept. Qtr.     | 3        | 3                           | 230                  | 2            | 232     | 1,124              | ..             | 1,124   | 975                         |
| Dec. "              | ..       | ..                          | ..                   | ..           | ..      | ..                 | 240            | 240     | 288                         |
| 1940—March "        | 2        | 6                           | 2,662                | 14           | 2,676   | 44,032             | ..             | 44,032  | 51,453                      |
| June "              | ..       | ..                          | ..                   | ..           | ..      | ..                 | 80,600         | 80,600  | 96,720                      |
| Sept. "             | ..       | ..                          | ..                   | ..           | ..      | ..                 | ..             | ..      | ..                          |
| SOUTH AUSTRALIA.    |          |                             |                      |              |         |                    |                |         |                             |
| Year 1939 ..        | 2        | 2                           | 170                  | 5            | 175     | 1,880              | ..             | 1,880   | 1,416                       |
| 1939—Sept. Qtr.     | 1        | 1                           | 25                   | 5            | 30      | 570                | ..             | 570     | 418                         |
| Dec. "              | ..       | ..                          | ..                   | ..           | ..      | ..                 | 1,020          | 1,020   | 893                         |
| 1940—March "        | ..       | ..                          | ..                   | ..           | ..      | ..                 | ..             | ..      | ..                          |
| June "              | ..       | ..                          | ..                   | ..           | ..      | ..                 | ..             | ..      | ..                          |
| Sept. "             | 1        | 1                           | 680                  | ..           | 680     | 4,080              | ..             | 4,080   | 2,980                       |
| WESTERN AUSTRALIA.  |          |                             |                      |              |         |                    |                |         |                             |
| Year 1939 ..        | 7        | 7                           | 1,108                | 145          | 1,253   | 14,100             | ..             | 14,100  | 9,578                       |
| 1939—Sept. Qtr.     | 3        | 3                           | 414                  | 35           | 449     | 10,235             | ..             | 10,235  | 4,950                       |
| Dec. "              | 1        | 1                           | 516                  | 109          | 625     | 3,125              | ..             | 3,125   | 4,000                       |
| 1940—March "        | 1        | 1                           | 23                   | 288          | 311     | 2,640              | ..             | 2,640   | 3,115                       |
| June "              | ..       | ..                          | ..                   | ..           | ..      | ..                 | 170            | 170     | 181                         |
| Sept. "             | 2        | 2                           | 712                  | ..           | 712     | 577                | ..             | 577     | 600                         |
| TASMANIA.           |          |                             |                      |              |         |                    |                |         |                             |
| Year 1939 ..        | 4        | 4                           | 53                   | ..           | 53      | 166                | ..             | 166     | 93                          |
| 1939—Sept. Qtr.     | 1        | 1                           | 12                   | ..           | 12      | 12                 | ..             | 12      | 13                          |
| Dec. "              | ..       | ..                          | ..                   | ..           | ..      | ..                 | ..             | ..      | ..                          |
| 1940—March "        | 2        | 5                           | 216                  | 12           | 228     | 2,822              | ..             | 2,822   | 2,831                       |
| June "              | ..       | ..                          | ..                   | ..           | ..      | ..                 | 7,644          | 7,644   | 7,810                       |
| Sept. "             | ..       | ..                          | ..                   | ..           | ..      | ..                 | ..             | ..      | ..                          |
| AUSTRALIA.          |          |                             |                      |              |         |                    |                |         |                             |
| Year 1939(a) (b) .. | 416      | 505                         | 143,228              | 9,602        | 152,830 | 420,220            | 29,934         | 459,154 | 455,716                     |
| 1939—Sept. Qtr.     | 116      | 170                         | 59,607               | 924          | 60,531  | 122,065            | 24,376         | 146,441 | 150,241                     |
| Dec. (b) "          | 98       | 101                         | 27,785               | 782          | 28,567  | 90,076             | 2,658          | 92,734  | 94,455                      |
| 1940—March (c) "    | 110      | 424                         | 94,497               | 3,566        | 98,063  | 488,813            | ..             | 488,813 | 549,319                     |
| June "              | 23       | 41                          | 3,830                | 680          | 4,510   | 9,628              | 725,018        | 734,646 | 869,318                     |
| Sept. "             | 124      | 135                         | 39,524               | 2,091        | 41,615  | 82,839             | ..             | 82,839  | 87,826                      |

(a) Inclusive of one dispute in the Northern Territory—74 workpeople; working days lost, 2,442; estimated loss in wages, £2,500. (b) Inclusive of one dispute in the Northern Territory—200 workpeople (40 indirectly); working days lost, 1,200; estimated loss in wages, £1,100. (c) Inclusive of two disputes in the Northern Territory—31 workpeople; working days lost 137; estimated loss in wages, £137.

**Wages.—Adult Males—Average Nominal Weekly and Hourly Rates payable and Weekly Hours of Labour, 30th September, 1940.**

| Industrial Group.                       | Particulars.  | N.S.W. | Vic.  | Q'ld. | S.A.  | W.A.   | Tas.   | Aust.<br>(a) |
|---|---------------|--------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------------|
| I. Wood, Furniture, &c.                 | Weekly Wage   | 105/9  | 100/8 | 104/3 | 98/0  | 103/1  | 96/10  | 102/10       |
|   | Working Hours | 44.00  | 44.00 | 44.00 | 44.00 | 44.00  | 44.00  | 44.00        |
|   | Hourly Wage   | 2/4½   | 2/3½  | 2/4½  | 2/2½  | 2/4    | 2/2½   | 2/4          |
| II. Engineering, Metal Works, &c.       | Weekly Wage   | 103/10 | 101/2 | 102/6 | 97/5  | 105/11 | 100/6  | 102/2        |
|   | Working Hours | 44.00  | 44.18 | 44.00 | 44.56 | 44.00  | 45.18  | 44.15        |
|   | Hourly Wage   | 2/4½   | 2/3½  | 2/4   | 2/2½  | 2/5    | 2/2½   | 2/3½         |
| III. Food, Drink, &c. ..                | Weekly Wage   | 102/3  | 96/3  | 98/8  | 95/6  | 102/2  | 93/8   | 99/1         |
|   | Working Hours | 44.00  | 44.68 | 43.96 | 45.12 | 45.28  | 45.29  | 44.39        |
|   | Hourly Wage   | 2/4    | 2/1½  | 2/3   | 2/1½  | 2/2½   | 2/0½   | 2/2½         |
| IV. Clothing, Boots, &c.                | Weekly Wage   | 94/1   | 93/11 | 98/0  | 98/0  | 102/10 | 92/0   | 94/11        |
|   | Working Hours | 44.00  | 44.00 | 44.00 | 44.00 | 44.00  | 44.00  | 44.00        |
|   | Hourly Wage   | 2/1½   | 2/1½  | 2/2½  | 2/2½  | 2/4    | 2/1    | 2/2          |
| V. Books, Printing, &c. ...             | Weekly Wage   | 122/6  | 112/2 | 110/1 | 104/6 | 130/10 | 104/10 | 116/0        |
|   | Working Hours | 43.38  | 43.39 | 43.20 | 43.68 | 42.72  | 43.35  | 43.35        |
|   | Hourly Wage   | 2/10   | 2/7   | 2/6½  | 2/4½  | 3/0½   | 2/5    | 2/8          |
| VI. Other Manufacturing                 | Weekly Wage   | 102/2  | 95/1  | 97/5  | 95/11 | 101/7  | 96/5   | 98/7         |
|   | Working Hours | 43.98  | 44.92 | 43.97 | 44.76 | 44.00  | 44.18  | 44.40        |
|   | Hourly Wage   | 2/4    | 2/1½  | 2/2½  | 2/1½  | 2/3½   | 2/2½   | 2/2½         |
| VII. Building ..                        | Weekly Wage   | 114/6  | 108/9 | 104/7 | 102/0 | 107/3  | 102/3  | 109/7        |
|   | Working Hours | 43.66  | 44.00 | 40.00 | 44.00 | 44.00  | 44.00  | 43.42        |
|   | Hourly Wage   | 2/7½   | 2/5½  | 2/7½  | 2/3½  | 2/5½   | 2/4    | 2/6½         |
| VIII. Mining (c) ..                     | Weekly Wage   | 114/4  | 100/1 | 110/3 | 71/6  | 124/5b | 100/2  | 110/6        |
|   | Working Hours | 42.06  | 42.21 | 42.40 | 43.79 | 40.54  | 43.54  | 42.03        |
|   | Hourly Wage   | 2/8½   | 2/4½  | 2/7½  | 1/7½  | 3/0½   | 2/3½   | 2/7½         |
| IX. Rail and Tram Services              | Weekly Wage   | 100/4  | 99/8  | 99/4  | 94/9  | 101/0  | 92/5   | 99/4         |
|   | Working Hours | 44.00  | 44.00 | 44.00 | 46.00 | 43.79  | 45.71  | 44.21        |
|   | Hourly Wage   | 2/3½   | 2/3½  | 2/3   | 2/0½  | 2/3½   | 2/6½   | 2/3          |
| X. Other Land Transport                 | Weekly Wage   | 100/10 | 92/6  | 96/1  | 86/4  | 99/4   | 89/11  | 96/0         |
|   | Working Hours | 44.00  | 44.53 | 44.00 | 44.73 | 46.50  | 44.00  | 44.35        |
|   | Hourly Wage   | 2/3½   | 2/1   | 2/2½  | 1/11½ | 2/1½   | 2/0½   | 2/2          |
| XI. Shipping, &c. ..                    | Weekly Wage d | 102/0  | 101/1 | 99/1  | 103/8 | 100/5  | 101/8  | 101/6        |
|   | Working Hours | ..     | ..    | ..    | ..    | ..     | ..     | ..           |
|   | Hourly Wage   | ..     | ..    | ..    | ..    | ..     | ..     | ..           |
| XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, &c.        | Weekly Wage e | 81/10  | 86/6  | 90/4  | 81/8  | 91/7   | 87/4   | 85/5         |
|   | Working Hours | ..     | ..    | ..    | ..    | ..     | ..     | ..           |
|   | Hourly Wage   | ..     | ..    | ..    | ..    | ..     | ..     | ..           |
| XIII. Domestic, Hotels, &c.             | Weekly Wage e | 95/1   | 92/7  | 90/4  | 86/4  | 92/3   | 72/11  | 92/3         |
|   | Working Hours | 44.00  | 44.43 | 44.00 | 48.00 | 44.00  | 44.00  | 44.40        |
|   | Hourly Wage e | 2/2    | 2/1   | 2/0½  | 1/9½  | 2/1½   | 1/8    | 2/1          |
| XIV. Miscellaneous ..                   | Weekly Wage   | 98/10  | 95/9  | 95/5  | 86/6  | 96/7   | 86/0   | 95/9         |
|   | Working Hours | 44.00  | 44.83 | 44.00 | 46.00 | 47.23  | 46.59  | 44.74        |
|   | Hourly Wage   | 2/3    | 2/1½  | 2/2   | 1/10½ | 2/0½   | 1/10½  | 2/1½         |
| All Groups (a) ..                       | Weekly Wage   | 99/5   | 96/5  | 97/6  | 90/3  | 103/10 | 91/10  | 97/7         |
| All Groups except XI.<br>and XII.(a) .. | Weekly Wage   | 103/5  | 98/5  | 100/1 | 91/10 | 106/6  | 93/2   | 100/7        |
|   | Working Hours | 43.71  | 44.30 | 43.46 | 45.23 | 44.11  | 44.95  | 44.05        |
|   | Hourly Wage   | 2/4½   | 2/2½  | 2/3½  | 2/0½  | 2/5    | 2/0½   | 2/3½         |

(a) Weighted average.

(b) Excludes District Allowances in the gold-mining industry.

(c) Average rates of wage and hours prevailing at the principal mining centres in each State.

(d) Average rates of wage are for occupations other than Masters, Officers, and Engineers in the Merchant Marine Service, and include value of victualling and accommodation, where supplied.

(e) Including the estimated value of board and lodging, where supplied.

**Wages.—Adult Females—Average Nominal Weekly and Hourly Rates payable and Weekly Hours of Labour, 30th September, 1940.**

| Industrial Group.                          | Particulars.  | N.S.W. | Vic.  | Q'ld. | S.A.  | W.A.  | Tas.  | Aust.<br>(b) |
|--|---------------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------------|
| III. Food, Drink, &c.                      | Weekly Wage   | 51/1   | 50/4  | 46/5  | 44/9  | 46/1  | 51/0  | 49/11        |
|  | Working Hours | 44.00  | 44.00 | 44.33 | 44.00 | 44.00 | 44.00 | 44.03        |
|  | Hourly Wage   | 1/2    | 1/1½  | 1/0½  | 1/0½  | 1/0½  | 1/2   | 1/1½         |
| IV. Clothing, Boots, &c.                   | Weekly Wage   | 51/6   | 50/8  | 54/0  | 54/0  | 54/2  | 51/1  | 51/8         |
|  | Working Hours | 44.00  | 44.00 | 44.00 | 44.00 | 44.00 | 44.00 | 44.00        |
|  | Hourly Wage   | 1/2    | 1/1½  | 1/2½  | 1/2½  | 1/2½  | 1/2   | 1/2          |
| I., II., V., & VI. All other Manufacturing | Weekly Wage   | 51/6   | 55/10 | 50/7  | 51/3  | ..    | 52/6  | 53/6         |
|  | Working Hours | 44.00  | 44.00 | 44.00 | 44.00 | ..    | 44.00 | 44.00        |
|  | Hourly Wage   | 1/2    | 1/3¼  | 1/1½  | 1/2   | ..    | 1/2½  | 1/2½         |
| XIII. Domestic, Hotels, &c.                | Weekly Wage a | 54/0   | 58/4  | 55/7  | 44/10 | 61/2  | 55/9  | 55/6         |
|  | Working Hours | 43.38  | 44.00 | 44.00 | 46.22 | 44.00 | 44.00 | 43.95        |
|  | Hourly Wage a | 1/3    | 1/4   | 1/3¼  | 0/11½ | 1/4½  | 1/3¼  | 1/3½         |
| XIV. Shop Assistants, Clerks, &c.          | Weekly Wage   | 61/11  | 54/10 | 60/6  | 47/0  | ..    | ..    | 57/7         |
|  | Working Hours | 44.00  | 45.00 | 44.00 | 48.00 | ..    | ..    | 44.78        |
|  | Hourly Wage   | 1/5    | 1/2½  | 1/4½  | 0/11½ | ..    | ..    | 1/3½         |
| All Groups (b)                             | Weekly Wage   | 54/5   | 52/11 | 55/6  | 50/1  | 57/6  | 52/5  | 53/9         |
|  | Working Hours | 43.88  | 44.19 | 44.01 | 45.47 | 44.00 | 44.00 | 44.15        |
|  | Hourly Wage   | 1/3    | 1/2½  | 1/3½  | 1/1½  | 1/3½  | 1/2½  | 1/2½         |

(a) Including the estimated value of board and lodging where supplied.

(b) Weighted average.

**Wages.—Weighted Average Nominal Weekly Rates payable for a Full Week's Work, and Wage Index-numbers, 1914 to 30th September, 1940.**

| Dates.   | N.S.W. | Vic.  | Q'ld. | S.A.  | W.A.   | Tas.  | Aust. |
|--|--------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|
| ADULT MALES—RATES OF WAGE.                                     |        |       |       |       |        |       |       |
|  | s. d.  | s. d. | s. d. | s. d. | s. d.  | s. d. | s. d. |
| 31st December, 1914  | 56 2   | 54 7  | 53 5  | 54 5  | 62 10  | 52 8  | 55 7  |
| " " 1934   | 83 2   | 78 8  | 88 9  | 75 6  | 84 1   | 97 7  | 82 0  |
| " " 1935   | 84 2   | 79 9  | 88 5  | 77 11 | 86 7   | 81 0  | 83 0  |
| " " 1936   | 85 6   | 83 1  | 88 7  | 79 6  | 90 7   | 83 3  | 85 0  |
| " " 1937   | 92 1   | 88 1  | 92 8  | 85 10 | 93 1   | 87 0  | 90 4  |
| " " 1938   | 95 0   | 91 2  | 95 10 | 87 1  | 99 1   | 88 5  | 93 5  |
| 30th September, 1939   | 95 10  | 93 8  | 97 4  | 89 2  | 100 4  | 89 3  | 95 0  |
| 31st December, 1939  | 96 7   | 83 5  | 97 5  | 88 11 | 100 6  | 89 5  | 95 3  |
| 31st March, 1940   | 96 11  | 83 11 | 97 5  | 89 0  | 101 0  | 90 11 | 95 6  |
| 30th June, 1940  | 97 9   | 84 8  | 97 5  | 89 4  | 101 1  | 91 0  | 96 1  |
| 30th September, 1940   | 99 5   | 96 5  | 97 6  | 90 3  | 103 10 | 91 10 | 97 7  |
| ADULT MALES—INDEX-NUMBERS.—(BASE—51s. 3d. (a) IN 1911 = 1000.) |        |       |       |       |        |       |       |
| 31st December, 1914  | 1,096  | 1,065 | 1,042 | 1,062 | 1,226  | 1,028 | 1,085 |
| " " 1934   | 1,623  | 1,534 | 1,732 | 1,473 | 1,640  | 1,552 | 1,599 |
| " " 1935   | 1,642  | 1,555 | 1,725 | 1,520 | 1,689  | 1,581 | 1,620 |
| " " 1936   | 1,668  | 1,621 | 1,729 | 1,552 | 1,768  | 1,625 | 1,659 |
| " " 1937   | 1,797  | 1,719 | 1,808 | 1,674 | 1,816  | 1,697 | 1,763 |
| " " 1938   | 1,854  | 1,780 | 1,870 | 1,700 | 1,933  | 1,725 | 1,823 |
| 30th September, 1939   | 1,870  | 1,828 | 1,899 | 1,740 | 1,957  | 1,741 | 1,854 |
| 31st December, 1939  | 1,885  | 1,823 | 1,900 | 1,735 | 1,962  | 1,745 | 1,858 |
| 31st March, 1940   | 1,890  | 1,832 | 1,901 | 1,737 | 1,971  | 1,773 | 1,864 |
| 30th June, 1940  | 1,907  | 1,847 | 1,901 | 1,744 | 1,972  | 1,776 | 1,875 |
| 30th September, 1940   | 1,940  | 1,881 | 1,903 | 1,761 | 2,025  | 1,791 | 1,903 |

**ADULT FEMALES—RATES OF WAGE.**

|                      |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|----------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
|                      | s. d. | s. d. | s. d. | s. d. | s. d. | s. d. | s. d. |
| 31st December, 1914  | 26 10 | 27 9  | 27 1  | 24 1  | 37 4  | 25 10 | 27 5  |
| " " 1934             | 44 3  | 43 9  | 47 8  | 41 11 | 49 1  | 44 1  | 44 5  |
| " " 1935             | 44 11 | 44 2  | 48 0  | 43 0  | 49 1  | 44 10 | 45 3  |
| " " 1936             | 45 7  | 46 10 | 48 4  | 43 4  | 50 11 | 45 1  | 46 5  |
| " " 1937             | 50 2  | 49 2  | 51 4  | 46 10 | 51 0  | 48 6  | 49 8  |
| " " 1938             | 51 10 | 50 7  | 53 6  | 47 9  | 54 4  | 49 8  | 51 4  |
| 30th September, 1939 | 52 8  | 51 9  | 54 9  | 49 2  | 55 8  | 50 2  | 52 4  |
| 31st December, 1939  | 53 3  | 51 9  | 55 2  | 49 7  | 55 8  | 50 8  | 52 8  |
| 31st March, 1940     | 53 3  | 51 11 | 55 2  | 49 7  | 55 8  | 51 10 | 52 9  |
| 30th June, 1940      | 53 9  | 52 5  | 55 5  | 49 11 | 55 8  | 52 1  | 53 2  |
| 30th September, 1940 | 54 5  | 52 11 | 55 6  | 50 1  | 57 6  | 52 5  | 53 9  |

**ADULT FEMALES—INDEX-NUMBERS.—(BASE—27s. 2d. (a) IN APRIL, 1914 = 1000.)**

|                      |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|----------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 31st December, 1914  | 987   | 1,022 | 996   | 885   | 1,373 | 950   | 1,006 |
| " " 1934             | 1,628 | 1,609 | 1,736 | 1,541 | 1,809 | 1,623 | 1,636 |
| " " 1935             | 1,654 | 1,626 | 1,767 | 1,584 | 1,808 | 1,651 | 1,666 |
| " " 1936             | 1,677 | 1,722 | 1,780 | 1,594 | 1,873 | 1,661 | 1,708 |
| " " 1937             | 1,848 | 1,810 | 1,889 | 1,724 | 1,877 | 1,785 | 1,825 |
| " " 1938             | 1,907 | 1,862 | 1,969 | 1,758 | 2,000 | 1,828 | 1,887 |
| 30th September, 1939 | 1,939 | 1,904 | 2,016 | 1,811 | 2,049 | 1,845 | 1,927 |
| 31st December, 1939  | 1,960 | 1,906 | 2,031 | 1,826 | 2,049 | 1,866 | 1,938 |
| 31st March, 1940     | 1,960 | 1,909 | 2,031 | 1,826 | 2,049 | 1,909 | 1,940 |
| 30th June, 1940      | 1,978 | 1,929 | 2,039 | 1,838 | 2,049 | 1,917 | 1,957 |
| 30th September, 1940 | 2,004 | 1,948 | 2,043 | 1,843 | 2,116 | 1,930 | 1,977 |

(a) Weighted average for Australia.



## Basic Weekly Wage Rates by State Industrial Tribunals.

| State.              | Basic Wage. |            | Date of Operation. | Family Unit<br>(for Male Rate). |
|---------------------|-------------|------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|
|                     | Males.      | Females.   |                    |                                 |
|                     | £ s. d.     | £ s. d.    |                    |                                 |
| New South Wales ..  | (a) 4 8 0   | (a) 2 7 0  | 1.2.41             | (e)                             |
| Victoria ..         | (b)         | (b)        | (b)                | (b)                             |
| Queensland ..       | (c) 4 4 0   | 2 5 0      | 7.8.39             | Man, wife and three children    |
| South Australia ..  | 4 4 0       | 2 1 0      | 28.11.40           | Man, wife and three children    |
| Western Australia.. | (d) 4 6 11  | (d) 2 6 11 | 26.2.41            | Man, wife and two children      |
| Tasmania ..         | (b)         | (b)        | (b)                | (b)                             |

(a) Sydney, Newcastle, Port Kembla-Wollongong; Broken Hill—Males, £4 8s. 0d.; Females, £2 7s. 0d. Elsewhere—Males, £4 5s. 0d.; Females, £2 5s. 6d. Male wage plus child allowances. (b) None declared, but follow Federal rates to a large extent. (c) South-Eastern Division. Allowances are added for other Divisions:—Northern, 10s.; North-Western, 17s. 4d.; Mackay, 5s. 6d.; South-Western, 7s. 4d. Half of these allowances are granted to females. (d) Metropolitan Area. Basic wage from 25/10/40 for Gold-fields Areas and other portions of State exclusive of the S.W. Land Division—Males, £5 2s. 1d.; Females, £2 15s. 1d. and for Agricultural Areas and S.W. Land Division—Males, £4 7s. 8d.; Females, £2 7s. 4d. (e) Commonwealth Basic Wage operative—no defined family unit.

## Basic Weekly Wage Rates fixed by Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration for each Capital City.(a)

| Capital.                             | 1st February,<br>1940. | 1st May,<br>1940. | 1st August,<br>1940. | 1st November,<br>1940. | 1st February,<br>1941. |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
|                                      | s. d.                  | s. d.             | s. d.                | s. d.                  | s. d.                  |
| Sydney ..                            | 82 0                   | 83 0              | 85 0                 | 85 0                   | 88 0                   |
| Melbourne ..                         | 81 0                   | 82 0              | 84 0                 | 84 0                   | 86 0                   |
| Brisbane ..                          | 77 0                   | 78 0              | 79 0                 | 79 0                   | 82 0                   |
| Adelaide ..                          | 77 0                   | 78 0              | 80 0                 | 80 0                   | 82 0                   |
| Perth ..                             | 77 0                   | 77 0              | 79 0                 | 80 0                   | 81 0                   |
| Hobart ..                            | 78 0                   | 78 0              | 80 0                 | 81 0                   | 83 0                   |
| Weighted Average—<br>Six Capitals .. | 80 0                   | 80 0              | 82 0                 | 83 0                   | 85 0                   |

NOTE.—Female rate generally 54 per cent. of male rate.

(a) "Court" Series Index-Numbers—Commonwealth Court's Judgment of 23rd June, 1937. Includes "prosperity loadings" granted by Judgment. No defined family unit.

## Awards of Industrial Courts and Wages Board Determinations Made and Industrial Agreements Filed.

| State.   | 1935.                                  |                      | 1936.                                  |                      | 1937.                                  |                      | 1938.                                  |                      | 1939.                                  |                      |
|--|--|----------------------|--|----------------------|--|----------------------|--|----------------------|--|----------------------|
|  | Awards or<br>Determina-<br>tions made. | Agreements<br>filed. | Awards or<br>Determina-<br>tions made. | Agreements<br>filed. | Awards or<br>Determina-<br>tions made. | Agreements<br>filed. | Awards or<br>Determina-<br>tions made. | Agreements<br>filed. | Awards or<br>Determina-<br>tions made. | Agreements<br>filed. |
| New South Wales ..                             | 44                                     | 31                   | 52                                     | 39                   | 63                                     | 42                   | 64                                     | 36                   | 64                                     | 17                   |
| Victoria ..                                    | 101                                    | ..                   | 141                                    | ..                   | 121                                    | ..                   | 99                                     | ..                   | 173                                    | ..                   |
| Queensland ..                                  | 46                                     | 22                   | 61                                     | 37                   | 40                                     | 42                   | 38                                     | 38                   | 50                                     | 25                   |
| South Australia ..                             | 69                                     | 9                    | 22                                     | 17                   | 42                                     | 16                   | 6                                      | 4                    | 18                                     | 7                    |
| Western Australia ..                           | 17                                     | 24                   | 24                                     | 26                   | 35                                     | 32                   | 28                                     | 31                   | 20                                     | 25                   |
| Tasmania ..                                    | 18                                     | ..                   | 22                                     | ..                   | 43                                     | ..                   | 26                                     | ..                   | 18                                     | ..                   |
| Commonwealth Court ..                          | 69                                     | 13                   | 32                                     | 13                   | 38                                     | 11                   | 31                                     | 13                   | 31                                     | 21                   |
| Commonwealth Public Ser-<br>vice Arbitrator .. | 4                                      | ..                   | 2                                      | ..                   | 3                                      | ..                   | 3                                      | ..                   | 1                                      | ..                   |
| Total ..                                       | 368                                    | 99                   | 356                                    | 132                  | 391                                    | 143                  | 295                                    | 124                  | 375                                    | 95                   |

## Section VII.—Retail Price Index-Numbers—Cost of Food, Groceries, Housing, etc.

Note.—The index-numbers on this and the next three pages are related to the post-war period 1923-1927. The weighted average prices for these five years for the Six Capitals are made equal to 1,000. In the combined tables the rent of 4 and 5 roomed houses only is taken into account.

The "B" Series represents the Food and Housing portion of the "All Items" ("C" Series) Index published on page 64.

### Retail Price Index-Numbers.(a)—Capital Cities.

#### ("B" Series.)

(Base in each Section: Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-1927=1,000.)

NOTE.—The index-numbers given in the separate parts of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show the relative cost of housing, and food and groceries, since the cost in 1923-1927 in each group or combination is made equal to 1,000.

| CITY. | 1911. | 1936. | 1937. | 1938. | 1939. | 1940. | 1939.       | 1940.        |             |              |             |  |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--|
|       |       |       |       |       |       |       | Dec.<br>Qr. | March<br>Qr. | June<br>Qr. | Sept.<br>Qr. | Dec.<br>Qr. |  |

### GROUPS I., II., AND III. COMBINED—FOOD AND GROCERIES.

|                     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
|---------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Sydney .. ..        | 553 | 848 | 868 | 904 | 936 | 952 | 940 | 933 | 957 | 945 | 974 |
| Melbourne .. ..     | 523 | 809 | 836 | 884 | 942 | 947 | 942 | 922 | 954 | 949 | 961 |
| Brisbane .. ..      | 569 | 791 | 828 | 838 | 864 | 889 | 859 | 874 | 883 | 879 | 920 |
| Adelaide .. ..      | 570 | 798 | 826 | 861 | 897 | 900 | 888 | 881 | 913 | 902 | 903 |
| Perth .. ..         | 753 | 853 | 881 | 899 | 938 | 949 | 926 | 920 | 956 | 971 | 949 |
| Hobart .. ..        | 592 | 827 | 870 | 880 | 923 | 944 | 941 | 918 | 935 | 951 | 972 |
| Weighted Average .. | 559 | 825 | 851 | 886 | 927 | 939 | 927 | 917 | 944 | 937 | 956 |

### GROUP IV.—HOUSING(b)—4 AND 5 ROOMS.

|                     |     |     |     |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|---------------------|-----|-----|-----|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Sydney .. ..        | 701 | 930 | 965 | 1,004 | 1,035 | 1,042 | 1,040 | 1,041 | 1,041 | 1,042 | 1,042 |
| Melbourne .. ..     | 539 | 882 | 909 | 935   | 955   | 969   | 960   | 964   | 967   | 970   | 973   |
| Brisbane .. ..      | 373 | 766 | 822 | 841   | 854   | 857   | 855   | 855   | 857   | 858   | 859   |
| Adelaide .. ..      | 706 | 795 | 832 | 868   | 888   | 892   | 891   | 892   | 892   | 892   | 892   |
| Perth .. ..         | 524 | 844 | 861 | 872   | 881   | 882   | 882   | 883   | 882   | 882   | 882   |
| Hobart .. ..        | 452 | 908 | 899 | 913   | 925   | 933   | 930   | 932   | 932   | 933   | 933   |
| Weighted Average .. | 612 | 879 | 912 | 942   | 965   | 973   | 969   | 971   | 972   | 973   | 974   |

### ALL GROUPS COMBINED.—FOOD, GROCERIES, AND HOUSING (4 AND 5 ROOMS).

|                     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
|---------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Sydney .. ..        | 606 | 878 | 904 | 941 | 972 | 985 | 977 | 973 | 988 | 980 | 998 |
| Melbourne .. ..     | 539 | 835 | 862 | 902 | 945 | 953 | 947 | 936 | 957 | 955 | 964 |
| Brisbane .. ..      | 500 | 781 | 824 | 838 | 858 | 875 | 855 | 865 | 871 | 869 | 894 |
| Adelaide .. ..      | 618 | 796 | 826 | 862 | 891 | 895 | 887 | 883 | 903 | 896 | 897 |
| Perth .. ..         | 672 | 849 | 871 | 887 | 914 | 921 | 907 | 903 | 925 | 934 | 921 |
| Hobart .. ..        | 542 | 856 | 879 | 891 | 922 | 938 | 935 | 922 | 932 | 942 | 954 |
| Weighted Average .. | 578 | 844 | 872 | 906 | 939 | 950 | 941 | 936 | 953 | 949 | 961 |

(a) As the price index-number increases, the purchasing-power of money diminishes.

(b) See note (a) on page 64.

**Retail Price Index-Numbers—Cost of Food, Groceries, and Housing (4 and 5 rooms).**  
**("B" Series.)**

*(Base : Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1000.)*

| Particulars.                            | 1911. | 1936. | 1937. | 1938. | 1939. | 1940. | 1939.    | 1940.     |          |           |          |       |
|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|-------|
|   |       |       |       |       |       |       | Dec. Qr. | March Qr. | June Qr. | Sept. Qr. | Dec. Qr. |       |
| <b>NEW SOUTH WALES—</b>                 |       |       |       |       |       |       |          |           |          |           |          |       |
| Sydney .. ..                            | 606   | 878   | 904   | 941   | 972   | 985   | 977      | 973       | 988      | 980       | 998      | 998   |
| Newcastle .. ..                         | ..    | 858   | 858   | 898   | 934   | 950   | 938      | 935       | 949      | 947       | 968      | 968   |
| Broken Hill .. ..                       | ..    | 837   | 869   | 948   | 970   | 953   | 954      | 942       | 956      | 948       | 965      | 965   |
| Goulburn .. ..                          | ..    | 854   | 872   | 908   | 942   | 950   | 941      | 934       | 955      | 949       | 960      | 960   |
| Bathurst .. ..                          | ..    | 829   | 838   | 867   | 900   | 908   | 904      | 893       | 913      | 907       | 917      | 917   |
| Weighted Average (a)                    | ..    | 875   | 899   | 937   | 969   | 980   | 973      | 968       | 983      | 976       | 994      | 994   |
| <b>VICTORIA—</b>                        |       |       |       |       |       |       |          |           |          |           |          |       |
| Melbourne .. ..                         | 539   | 835   | 862   | 902   | 945   | 953   | 947      | 936       | 957      | 955       | 964      | 964   |
| Ballarat .. ..                          | ..    | 780   | 794   | 808   | 849   | 843   | 848      | 833       | 848      | 843       | 847      | 847   |
| Bendigo .. ..                           | ..    | 777   | 798   | 817   | 851   | 864   | 858      | 845       | 867      | 869       | 873      | 873   |
| Geelong .. ..                           | ..    | 825   | 833   | 872   | 917   | 915   | 919      | 901       | 919      | 919       | 922      | 922   |
| Warrnambool .. ..                       | ..    | 827   | 842   | 898   | 940   | 944   | 948      | 930       | 949      | 947       | 951      | 951   |
| Weighted Average (a)                    | ..    | 831   | 857   | 895   | 938   | 946   | 940      | 929       | 950      | 948       | 956      | 956   |
| <b>QUEENSLAND—</b>                      |       |       |       |       |       |       |          |           |          |           |          |       |
| Brisbane .. ..                          | 500   | 781   | 824   | 838   | 858   | 875   | 855      | 865       | 871      | 869       | 894      | 894   |
| Toowoomba .. ..                         | ..    | 774   | 810   | 806   | 830   | 849   | 828      | 836       | 849      | 843       | 869      | 869   |
| Rockhampton .. ..                       | ..    | 757   | 808   | 825   | 843   | 854   | 840      | 852       | 858      | 846       | 860      | 860   |
| Townsville .. ..                        | ..    | 6741  | 877   | 900   | 920   | 925   | 913      | 920       | 929      | 921       | 928      | 928   |
| Bundaberg .. ..                         | ..    | 6721  | 752   | 781   | 804   | 817   | 801      | 811       | 817      | 808       | 830      | 830   |
| Weighted Average (a)                    | ..    | 777   | 823   | 837   | 858   | 873   | 855      | 864       | 871      | 867       | 890      | 890   |
| <b>SOUTH AUSTRALIA—</b>                 |       |       |       |       |       |       |          |           |          |           |          |       |
| Adelaide .. ..                          | 618   | 796   | 826   | 862   | 891   | 895   | 887      | 883       | 903      | 896       | 897      | 897   |
| Kadina, &c. .. ..                       | ..    | 689   | 692   | 702   | 743   | 739   | 745      | 729       | 740      | 740       | 746      | 746   |
| Port Pirie .. ..                        | ..    | 775   | 811   | 838   | 882   | 877   | 878      | 865       | 884      | 878       | 882      | 882   |
| Mount Gambier .. ..                     | ..    | 745   | 780   | 801   | 838   | 828   | 846      | 812       | 831      | 829       | 838      | 838   |
| Peterborough .. ..                      | ..    | 793   | 816   | 836   | 890   | 895   | 895      | 886       | 900      | 893       | 900      | 900   |
| Weighted Average (a)                    | ..    | 791   | 821   | 855   | 885   | 888   | 882      | 877       | 896      | 889       | 891      | 891   |
| <b>WESTERN AUSTRALIA—</b>               |       |       |       |       |       |       |          |           |          |           |          |       |
| Perth, &c. .. ..                        | 672   | 849   | 871   | 887   | 914   | 921   | 907      | 903       | 925      | 934       | 921      | 921   |
| Kalgoorlie, &c. .. ..                   | ..    | 1,064 | 1,126 | 1,152 | 1,178 | 1,184 | 1,173    | 1,166     | 1,175    | 1,196     | 1,200    | 1,200 |
| Northam .. ..                           | ..    | 858   | 899   | 911   | 936   | 946   | 929      | 924       | 943      | 963       | 953      | 953   |
| Bunbury .. ..                           | ..    | 873   | 924   | 945   | 979   | 979   | 980      | 966       | 984      | 986       | 981      | 981   |
| Geraldton .. ..                         | ..    | 945   | 999   | 974   | 990   | 995   | 982      | 976       | 988      | 1,005     | 1,009    | 1,009 |
| Weighted Average (a)                    | ..    | 867   | 894   | 909   | 936   | 943   | 929      | 926       | 946      | 956       | 945      | 945   |
| <b>TASMANIA—</b>                        |       |       |       |       |       |       |          |           |          |           |          |       |
| Hobart .. ..                            | 542   | 856   | 879   | 891   | 922   | 938   | 935      | 922       | 932      | 942       | 954      | 954   |
| Launceston .. ..                        | ..    | 807   | 843   | 867   | 887   | 901   | 891      | 885       | 900      | 905       | 914      | 914   |
| Burnie .. ..                            | ..    | 810   | 866   | 881   | 898   | 914   | 909      | 897       | 905      | 921       | 934      | 934   |
| Devonport .. ..                         | ..    | 790   | 824   | 846   | 865   | 882   | 870      | 864       | 873      | 889       | 902      | 902   |
| Queenstown .. ..                        | ..    | 844   | 874   | 900   | 933   | 942   | 936      | 931       | 939      | 943       | 956      | 956   |
| Weighted Average (a)                    | ..    | 835   | 865   | 882   | 908   | 923   | 917      | 907       | 919      | 927       | 939      | 939   |
| Weighted Average for 30 towns .. ..     | ..    | 841   | 869   | 902   | 935   | 945   | 936      | 931       | 948      | 944       | 956      | 956   |
| Weighted Average 6 Capital Cities .. .. | 578   | 844   | 872   | 906   | 939   | 950   | 941      | 936       | 953      | 949       | 961      | 961   |
| Canberra (A.C.T.) (d) (e)               | ..    | 1,019 | 1,053 | 1,043 | 1,026 | 1,028 | 1,015    | 1,008     | 1,033    | 1,031     | 1,038    | 1,038 |
| Charters Towers (Q.) (d)                | ..    | 741   | 727   | 751   | 815   | 827   | 822      | 827       | 837      | 819       | 824      | 824   |
| Warwick (Q.) (d)                        | ..    | 721   | 707   | 732   | 783   | 799   | 788      | 788       | 801      | 793       | 814      | 814   |

(a) Weighted Average for the five towns. (b) Charters Towers. (c) Warwick. (d) Not included in above weighted averages except for year 1936. (e) New series from 1938. The drop in 1938 was due to revision of sample of houses used for the calculation of average rentals in order to make it more comparable with that of the capital cities and other large towns throughout Australia. To secure comparison with "B" Series index-numbers for Canberra for periods prior to the September quarter 1938, the new series index-numbers should be multiplied by 1.090.



## RETAIL PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS—COST OF FOOD AND GROCERIES.

(Base: Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1000.)

| State and Town.                       | 1914. | 1939. |       |       |       | 1940. |       |      | Per-<br>cent-<br>age<br>in-<br>crease<br>from<br>July,<br>1914,<br>to<br>Dec.,<br>1940. |
|---------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|---|
|                                       | July. | Oct.  | Nov.  | Dec.  | Oct.  | Nov.  | Dec.  |      |   |
| <b>NEW SOUTH WALES—</b>               |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |      |   |
| Sydney .. .. .                        | 645   | 949   | 943   | 929   | 969   | 973   | 982   | 52.2 |   |
| Newcastle .. .. .                     | 642   | 989   | 969   | 946   | 1,012 | 1,014 | 1,019 | 58.7 |   |
| Broken Hill .. .. .                   | 821   | 1,086 | 1,079 | 1,058 | 1,064 | 1,107 | 1,095 | 33.4 |   |
| Goulburn .. .. .                      | 661   | 1,003 | 996   | 972   | 1,013 | 1,020 | 1,024 | 54.9 |   |
| Bathurst .. .. .                      | 613   | 962   | 947   | 924   | 959   | 963   | 977   | 59.4 |   |
| Weighted Average for 5 Towns ..       | 652   | 955   | 948   | 933   | 974   | 979   | 987   | 51.4 |   |
| <b>VICTORIA—</b>                      |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |      |   |
| Melbourne .. .. .                     | 619   | 947   | 958   | 920   | 957   | 963   | 964   | 55.7 |   |
| Ballarat .. .. .                      | 617   | 944   | 963   | 920   | 934   | 940   | 950   | 54.0 |   |
| Bendigo .. .. .                       | 619   | 933   | 952   | 926   | 959   | 964   | 967   | 56.2 |   |
| Geelong .. .. .                       | 609   | 946   | 973   | 921   | 944   | 950   | 950   | 56.0 |   |
| Warrnambool .. .. .                   | 608   | 970   | 974   | 944   | 966   | 962   | 965   | 58.7 |   |
| Weighted Average for 5 Towns ..       | 618   | 947   | 959   | 921   | 956   | 962   | 963   | 55.8 |   |
| <b>QUEENSLAND—</b>                    |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |      |   |
| Brisbane .. .. .                      | 591   | 873   | 854   | 849   | 909   | 909   | 943   | 59.6 |   |
| Toowoomba .. .. .                     | 582   | 823   | 815   | 814   | 865   | 877   | 907   | 55.8 |   |
| Rockhampton .. .. .                   | 646   | 906   | 885   | 906   | 914   | 918   | 961   | 48.8 |   |
| Townsville .. .. .                    | ..    | 955   | 948   | 946   | 956   | 961   | 1,006 | ..   |   |
| Bundaberg .. .. .                     | ..    | 909   | 904   | 906   | 941   | 951   | 970   | ..   |   |
| Weighted Average for 5 Towns ..       | 605   | 879   | 862   | 859   | 910   | 912   | 947   | 56.5 |   |
| <b>SOUTH AUSTRALIA—</b>               |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |      |   |
| Adelaide .. .. .                      | 699   | 902   | 883   | 878   | 903   | 911   | 897   | 28.3 |   |
| Kadina, Moonta, Wallaroo ..           | 688   | 990   | 981   | 958   | 972   | 988   | 976   | 41.9 |   |
| Port Pirie .. .. .                    | 722   | 999   | 986   | 967   | 989   | 996   | 994   | 37.7 |   |
| Mount Gambier .. .. .                 | 595   | 948   | 976   | 931   | 927   | 929   | 939   | 57.8 |   |
| Peterborough .. .. .                  | 749   | 1,000 | 984   | 969   | 984   | 991   | 980   | 30.8 |   |
| Weighted Average for 5 Towns ..       | 697   | 910   | 892   | 885   | 909   | 917   | 904   | 29.7 |   |
| <b>WESTERN AUSTRALIA—</b>             |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |      |   |
| Perth and Fremantle .. .. .           | 749   | 947   | 919   | 911   | 949   | 948   | 950   | 26.8 |   |
| Kalgoorlie and Boulder .. .. .        | 931   | 1,110 | 1,076 | 1,067 | 1,133 | 1,127 | 1,131 | 21.5 |   |
| Northam .. .. .                       | ..    | 980   | 954   | 947   | 997   | 995   | 999   | ..   |   |
| Bunbury .. .. .                       | 793   | 983   | 961   | 954   | 972   | 970   | 976   | 23.1 |   |
| Geraldton .. .. .                     | 808   | 956   | 926   | 917   | 975   | 975   | 978   | 21.0 |   |
| Weighted Average for 5 Towns ..       | 790   | 961   | 932   | 924   | 965   | 963   | 966   | 22.3 |   |
| <b>TASMANIA—</b>                      |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |      |   |
| Hobart .. .. .                        | 678   | 942   | 944   | 937   | 973   | 973   | 970   | 43.1 |   |
| Launceston .. .. .                    | 640   | 918   | 921   | 912   | 947   | 953   | 962   | 50.3 |   |
| Burnie .. .. .                        | ..    | 953   | 961   | 938   | 985   | 998   | 1,004 | ..   |   |
| Devonport .. .. .                     | ..    | 935   | 938   | 946   | 986   | 996   | 991   | ..   |   |
| Queenstown .. .. .                    | 735   | 1,018 | 1,018 | 1,017 | 1,037 | 1,052 | 1,067 | 45.2 |   |
| Weighted Average for 5 Towns ..       | 672   | 937   | 940   | 933   | 968   | 971   | 973   | 44.8 |   |
| Weighted Average for 30 Towns ..      | 651   | 940   | 935   | 916   | 954   | 959   | 965   | 48.2 |   |
| Weighted Average, 6 Capital Cities .. | 645   | 936   | 932   | 912   | 951   | 956   | 961   | 49.0 |   |
| (a) Lithgow (N.) .. .. .              | ..    | 991   | 956   | 933   | 991   | 1,004 | 1,009 | ..   |   |
| (a) Yallourn (V.) .. .. .             | ..    | 990   | 1,007 | 963   | 1,028 | 1,030 | 1,032 | ..   |   |
| (a) Charters Towers (Q.) .. .. .      | 696   | 958   | 956   | 957   | 946   | 951   | 979   | 40.7 |   |
| (a) Warwick (Q.) .. .. .              | 605   | 868   | 858   | 849   | 885   | 882   | 924   | 52.7 |   |
| (a) Port Augusta (S.A.) .. .. .       | ..    | 1,006 | 996   | 986   | 1,037 | 1,041 | 1,038 | ..   |   |
| (a) Rosebery (T.) .. .. .             | ..    | 1,070 | 1,053 | 1,061 | 1,113 | 1,130 | 1,129 | ..   |   |
| (a) Canberra (A.C.T.) .. .. .         | ..    | 1,055 | 1,049 | 1,020 | 1,067 | 1,077 | 1,083 | ..   |   |

(a) Not included in weighted averages above.

## THE "ALL ITEMS" INDEX.

("C" Series.)

Retail Price Index-Numbers—Cost of Food, Groceries, Housing (4 and 5 rooms) (a), Clothing and Miscellaneous Household Requirements.

(Base: Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1000.)

| State and Town.                             | Year<br>1935. | Year<br>1936. | Year<br>1937. | Year<br>1938. | Year<br>1939. | Year<br>1940. | 1939.        | 1940.        |              |               |              |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
|   |               |               |               |               |               |               | Dec.<br>Qtr. | Mar.<br>Qtr. | June<br>Qtr. | Sept.<br>Qtr. | Dec.<br>Qtr. |
| NEW SOUTH WALES—                            |               |               |               |               |               |               |              |              |              |               |              |
| Sydney ..                                   | 852           | 866           | 889           | 913           | 936           | 974           | 943          | 946          | 970          | 973           | 1,008        |
| Newcastle ..                                | 856           | 853           | 849           | 877           | 901           | 945           | 910          | 914          | 941          | 945           | 981          |
| Broken Hill ..                              | 819           | 848           | 893           | 940           | 955           | 981           | 949          | 954          | 980          | 980           | 1,011        |
| Goulburn ..                                 | 860           | 864           | 867           | 893           | 916           | 949           | 917          | 921          | 946          | 947           | 980          |
| Bathurst ..                                 | 814           | 833           | 842           | 860           | 883           | 923           | 890          | 894          | 918          | 924           | 956          |
| Weighted Average(b)                         | 852           | 865           | 886           | 911           | 933           | 972           | 940          | 943          | 968          | 970           | 1,005        |
| VICTORIA—                                   |               |               |               |               |               |               |              |              |              |               |              |
| Melbourne ..                                | 824           | 844           | 868           | 896           | 924           | 964           | 932          | 934          | 963          | 968           | 989          |
| Ballarat ..                                 | 803           | 826           | 839           | 850           | 874           | 906           | 879          | 882          | 903          | 911           | 928          |
| Bendigo ..                                  | 820           | 821           | 840           | 854           | 875           | 920           | 887          | 889          | 916          | 928           | 946          |
| Geelong ..                                  | 824           | 848           | 855           | 884           | 911           | 941           | 917          | 915          | 939          | 944           | 966          |
| Warrnambool ..                              | 850           | 851           | 856           | 892           | 918           | 955           | 928          | 936          | 951          | 956           | 978          |
| Weighted Average(b)                         | 824           | 843           | 866           | 893           | 920           | 960           | 928          | 930          | 959          | 964           | 985          |
| QUEENSLAND—                                 |               |               |               |               |               |               |              |              |              |               |              |
| Brisbane ..                                 | 780           | 804           | 837           | 852           | 870           | 908           | 874          | 887          | 900          | 906           | 938          |
| Toowoomba ..                                | 785           | 802           | 840           | 843           | 858           | 898           | 862          | 874          | 890          | 895           | 932          |
| Rockhampton ..                              | 776           | 802           | 840           | 853           | 867           | 905           | 872          | 887          | 900          | 900           | 932          |
| Townsville ..                               | (c)789        | (c)810        | 883           | 902           | 918           | 950           | 921          | 932          | 947          | 949           | 972          |
| Bundaberg ..                                | (d)769        | (d)779        | 809           | 831           | 847           | 879           | 851          | 860          | 873          | 875           | 907          |
| Weighted Average(b)                         | 780           | 803           | 840           | 854           | 871           | 909           | 876          | 888          | 902          | 906           | 939          |
| SOUTH AUSTRALIA—                            |               |               |               |               |               |               |              |              |              |               |              |
| Adelaide ..                                 | 820           | 839           | 859           | 888           | 906           | 936           | 906          | 912          | 934          | 939           | 957          |
| Kadina, &c. ..                              | 763           | 765           | 769           | 786           | 810           | 833           | 814          | 811          | 826          | 838           | 858          |
| Port Pirie ..                               | 789           | 813           | 844           | 868           | 896           | 919           | 896          | 894          | 914          | 923           | 943          |
| Mount Gambier ..                            | 809           | 818           | 830           | 849           | 872           | 894           | 880          | 866          | 887          | 899           | 923          |
| Peterborough ..                             | 833           | 843           | 851           | 868           | 897           | 924           | 900          | 901          | 918          | 928           | 950          |
| Weighted Average(b)                         | 817           | 835           | 855           | 883           | 902           | 931           | 902          | 907          | 929          | 935           | 953          |
| WESTERN AUSTRALIA—                          |               |               |               |               |               |               |              |              |              |               |              |
| Perth, &c. ..                               | 834           | 856           | 869           | 882           | 901           | 932           | 899          | 902          | 932          | 941           | 953          |
| Kalgoorlie, &c. ..                          | 1,011         | 1,027         | 1,030         | 1,048         | 1,066         | 1,099         | 1,065        | 1,064        | 1,092        | 1,109         | 1,131        |
| Northam ..                                  | 829           | 860           | 890           | 900           | 915           | 947           | 913          | 912          | 943          | 958           | 973          |
| Bunbury ..                                  | 845           | 880           | 897           | 914           | 936           | 962           | 932          | 934          | 963          | 965           | 985          |
| Geraldton ..                                | 886           | 933           | 970           | 957           | 965           | 990           | 959          | 958          | 983          | 998           | 1,022        |
| Weighted Average(b)                         | 848           | 870           | 884           | 897           | 915           | 946           | 914          | 916          | 945          | 955           | 969          |
| TASMANIA—                                   |               |               |               |               |               |               |              |              |              |               |              |
| Hobart ..                                   | 849           | 860           | 875           | 887           | 908           | 945           | 919          | 918          | 938          | 948           | 976          |
| Launceston ..                               | 834           | 840           | 856           | 872           | 888           | 926           | 895          | 898          | 921          | 929           | 955          |
| Burnie ..                                   | 792           | 814           | 854           | 865           | 879           | 917           | 889          | 890          | 907          | 921           | 950          |
| Devonport ..                                | 801           | 809           | 833           | 848           | 861           | 896           | 867          | 869          | 886          | 900           | 927          |
| Queenstown ..                               | 873           | 850           | 857           | 875           | 903           | 936           | 908          | 914          | 929          | 935           | 967          |
| Weighted Average(b)                         | 841           | 850           | 866           | 879           | 898           | 936           | 908          | 909          | 929          | 938           | 966          |
| Weighted Average for<br>30 Towns ..         | 831           | 848           | 871           | 894           | 917           | 954           | 923          | 927          | 951          | 956           | 983          |
| Weighted Average for<br>6 Capital Cities .. | 832           | 850           | 873           | 897           | 920           | 957           | 926          | 930          | 954          | 959           | 986          |
| Charters Towers (Q.)(e)                     | 789           | 810           | 819           | 839           | 883           | 920           | 896          | 904          | 919          | 917           | 938          |
| Warwick (Q.)(e)                             | 769           | 779           | 779           | 800           | 834           | 867           | 842          | 845          | 863          | 862           | 896          |
| Port Augusta (S.A.)(f)                      | 832           | 841           | 845           | 863           | 883           | 915           | 885          | 883          | 904          | 923           | 949          |
| Canberra (f)                                | ..            | ..            | ..            | ..            | 956           | 988           | 953          | 958          | 985          | 992           | 1,018        |

(a) Owing to the revisions resulting from the 1936 Conference of Statisticians, certain slight breaks of continuity appear after the June, 1936, quarter in the group index-numbers for Rent for certain towns. The revision of the whole system has been so arranged, however, that this break does not extend to the group index-numbers for the Six Capital Cities, or to the index-numbers for all groups combined for individual towns. (b) Five Towns.

(c) Charters Towers. (d) Warwick. (e) Not included in weighted averages above except for years 1935 and 1936.

(f) Not included in weighted averages above.

**NEW SOUTH WALES—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED  
FOR THE YEAR 1940 ; ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1940.**

| Article.                     | Unit.         | SYDNEY. |        |       | NEWCASTLE. |        |       | BROKEN HILL. |        |       | GOULBURN. |        |       | BATHURST. |        |       |
|------------------------------|---------------|---------|--------|-------|------------|--------|-------|--------------|--------|-------|-----------|--------|-------|-----------|--------|-------|
|                              |               | Oct.    | Nov.   | Dec.  | Oct.       | Nov.   | Dec.  | Oct.         | Nov.   | Dec.  | Oct.      | Nov.   | Dec.  | Oct.      | Nov.   | Dec.  |
| Groceries, &c.—              |               | d.      | d.     | d.    | d.         | d.     | d.    | d.           | d.     | d.    | d.        | d.     | d.    | d.        | d.     | d.    |
| Bread ..                     | 2 lb.         | 5.98    | 5.98   | 5.98  | 6.00       | 6.00   | 6.00  | 7.00         | 7.00   | 7.00  | 6.50      | 6.50   | 6.50  | 6.38      | 6.38   | 6.38  |
| Flour, ordinary ..           | "             | 4.90    | 5.00   | 5.00  | 4.79       | 4.79   | 4.79  | 5.43         | 5.43   | 5.43  | 5.00      | 5.00   | 5.00  | 5.00      | 5.00   | 5.00  |
| " , self-raising ..          | "             | 8.10    | 8.15   | 8.20  | 8.50       | 8.57   | 8.64  | 9.29         | 9.36   | 9.36  | 9.00      | 9.00   | 9.00  | 9.50      | 9.50   | 9.50  |
| Tea ..                       | lb.           | 29.85   | 29.95  | 30.95 | 31.21      | 31.21  | 32.07 | 33.83        | 34.07  | 35.07 | 31.00     | 31.00  | 32.00 | 31.00     | 31.20  | 32.00 |
| Sugar ..                     | "             | 4.00    | 4.00   | 4.00  | 4.36       | 4.36   | 4.36  | 4.92         | 4.92   | 4.92  | 4.50      | 4.50   | 4.50  | 4.50      | 4.50   | 4.50  |
| Rice (Australian) ..         | "             | 3.38    | 3.38   | 3.43  | 3.79       | 3.79   | 3.79  | 4.43         | 4.43   | 4.43  | 3.90      | 3.90   | 4.00  | 3.90      | 3.90   | 3.90  |
| Sago ..                      | "             | 3.80    | 3.85   | 3.90  | 4.21       | 4.36   | 4.43  | 4.64         | 4.64   | 4.93  | 4.30      | 4.40   | 4.40  | 4.20      | 4.30   | 4.40  |
| Jam, plum ..                 | 1½ lb.        | 10.25   | 10.25  | 10.45 | 10.14      | 10.14  | 10.29 | 10.29        | 10.29  | 10.36 | 11.30     | 11.30  | 11.40 | 10.80     | 10.80  | 10.70 |
| Golden Syrup ..              | 2 lb.         | 6.70    | 6.70   | 6.70  | 7.79       | 7.79   | 7.79  | 9.21         | 9.21   | 9.21  | 8.30      | 8.30   | 8.30  | 7.90      | 7.90   | 7.90  |
| Oats, flaked ..              | lb.           | 2.50    | 2.63   | 2.80  | 3.21       | 3.33   | 3.33  | 3.61         | 3.68   | 3.71  | 3.45      | 3.60   | 3.50  | 3.45      | 3.45   | 3.65  |
| Raisins, seeded ..           | "             | 10.75   | 10.75  | 10.90 | 10.86      | 11.02  | 11.25 | 11.43        | 11.43  | 11.57 | 10.80     | 10.80  | 10.80 | 11.20     | 11.20  | 11.20 |
| Currants ..                  | "             | 9.50    | 9.50   | 9.45  | 9.63       | 9.90   | 10.00 | 9.93         | 10.00  | 10.00 | 9.60      | 9.70   | 9.80  | 9.10      | 9.20   | 9.30  |
| Apricots, dried ..           | "             | 16.79   | 17.00  | 17.39 | 16.75      | 16.75  | 16.75 | 17.50        | 17.50  | 17.36 | 17.25     | 17.25  | 17.00 | 16.13     | 16.38  | 16.13 |
| Peaches, canned ..           | 30 oz.        | 11.10   | 11.10  | 11.10 | 11.00      | 11.14  | 11.29 | 11.71        | 11.71  | 11.71 | 11.40     | 11.40  | 11.40 | 11.90     | 11.90  | 11.90 |
| Pears, canned ..             | "             | 12.05   | 12.05  | 12.05 | 12.00      | 12.14  | 12.14 | 11.93        | 11.93  | 11.93 | 12.40     | 12.80  | 13.00 | 12.40     | 12.40  | 12.40 |
| Salmon, in tins ..           | lb.           | 17.25   | 17.60  | 18.15 | 18.17      | 18.33  | 18.33 | 16.35        | 16.92  | 17.70 | 15.40     | 15.40  | 15.67 | 18.00     | 18.25  | 21.33 |
| Potatoes ..                  | 7 lb.         | 14.75   | 15.94  | 16.55 | 17.11      | 16.87  | 16.80 | 18.66        | 22.07  | 16.54 | 16.60     | 17.82  | 17.40 | 15.60     | 15.90  | 17.23 |
| Onions, brown ..             | lb.           | 2.36    | 2.93   | 3.50  | 2.00       | 2.20   | 3.57  | 2.14         | 2.42   | 2.50  | 3.00      | 3.00   | 4.00  | 2.80      | 3.00   | 3.75  |
| Soap ..                      | "             | 6.55    | 6.55   | 6.58  | 6.72       | 6.74   | 6.74  | 7.38         | 7.38   | 7.38  | 6.86      | 6.86   | 6.86  | 6.86      | 6.86   | 6.97  |
| Kerosene ..                  | quart         | 4.99    | 5.07   | 5.10  | 5.31       | 5.46   | 5.46  | 6.54         | 6.64   | 6.71  | 6.43      | 6.45   | 6.45  | 5.88      | 6.00   | 6.00  |
| Dairy Produce—               |               |         |        |       |            |        |       |              |        |       |           |        |       |           |        |       |
| Butter, factory ..           | lb.           | 19.05   | 19.05  | 19.05 | 19.50      | 19.50  | 19.50 | 21.43        | 21.43  | 21.50 | 19.50     | 19.50  | 19.50 | 19.70     | 19.70  | 19.70 |
| Cheese, mild ..              | "             | 14.75   | 14.85  | 15.30 | 14.14      | 14.29  | 14.29 | 16.36        | 16.36  | 16.36 | 14.20     | 14.20  | 14.40 | 15.00     | 15.00  | 15.00 |
| Eggs, new laid ..            | doz.          | 16.90   | 17.90  | 18.00 | 16.57      | 17.57  | 18.00 | 17.43        | 17.21  | 19.71 | 13.40     | 14.80  | 15.00 | 12.40     | 15.80  | 17.60 |
| Bacon, rashers ..            | lb.           | 17.45   | 17.45  | 17.65 | 17.50      | 17.50  | 17.50 | 19.57        | 19.57  | 19.57 | 17.60     | 17.60  | 18.00 | 17.40     | 17.40  | 17.40 |
| Milk, condensed ..           | tin           | 8.90    | 8.85   | 8.90  | 9.29       | 9.14   | 9.14  | 10.43        | 10.21  | 10.14 | 10.20     | 10.20  | 10.10 | 9.90      | 9.90   | 9.90  |
| " , fresh ..                 | quart         | 7.10    | 7.10   | 7.10  | 6.71       | 6.71   | 6.71  | 8.00         | 8.00   | 8.00  | 6.86      | 6.86   | 6.86  | 6.00      | 6.00   | 6.00  |
| Meat—                        |               |         |        |       |            |        |       |              |        |       |           |        |       |           |        |       |
| Beef, sirloin ..             | lb.           | 12.00   | 12.00  | 12.00 | 12.57      | 12.71  | 12.71 | 10.00        | 12.00  | 12.00 | 11.20     | 11.20  | 11.20 | 9.40      | 9.40   | 9.40  |
| " , rib ..                   | "             | 9.15    | 9.00   | 9.05  | 9.64       | 9.75   | 9.75  | 8.00         | 9.83   | 9.83  | 9.20      | 9.40   | 9.20  | 8.00      | 8.00   | 8.20  |
| " , steak, rump ..           | "             | 17.50   | 17.40  | 17.70 | 16.00      | 16.00  | 16.00 | 17.00        | 18.86  | 18.86 | 15.20     | 15.20  | 15.20 | 14.00     | 14.00  | 14.20 |
| " , chuck ..                 | "             | 8.40    | 8.20   | 8.20  | 8.86       | 8.93   | 8.93  | 8.86         | 10.14  | 10.14 | 8.20      | 8.20   | 8.20  | 7.60      | 7.60   | 7.80  |
| " , sausages ..              | "             | 6.55    | 6.55   | 6.55  | 7.86       | 7.86   | 7.86  | 8.00         | 8.00   | 8.00  | 7.00      | 7.00   | 7.00  | 8.00      | 7.80   | 7.80  |
| Beef (corned) silver-side .. | "             | 9.75    | 7.70   | 9.90  | 10.50      | 10.43  | 10.43 | 10.00        | 12.00  | 12.00 | 9.20      | 9.40   | 9.40  | 9.20      | 9.20   | 9.20  |
| " , brisket ..               | "             | 7.20    | 7.20   | 7.45  | 8.21       | 8.42   | 8.42  | 8.00         | 9.86   | 9.86  | 8.20      | 8.60   | 8.60  | 8.00      | 7.80   | 8.00  |
| Mutton, leg ..               | "             | 7.70    | 7.55   | 7.55  | 10.00      | 9.71   | 9.71  | 8.00         | 8.00   | 8.00  | 9.60      | 9.40   | 9.40  | 8.40      | 8.20   | 8.20  |
| " , forequarter ..           | "             | 4.65    | 4.63   | 4.58  | 5.64       | 5.71   | 5.64  | 5.50         | 5.50   | 5.50  | 6.60      | 6.40   | 6.40  | 5.30      | 5.40   | 5.40  |
| " , loin ..                  | "             | 8.90    | 8.85   | 9.00  | 9.71       | 9.57   | 9.57  | 7.29         | 7.57   | 7.57  | 10.20     | 9.80   | 9.80  | 8.20      | 8.20   | 8.20  |
| " , chops, loin ..           | "             | 9.60    | 9.45   | 9.40  | 10.21      | 10.21  | 10.21 | 9.86         | 9.86   | 9.86  | 10.60     | 10.60  | 10.60 | 8.40      | 8.40   | 8.40  |
| " , chops, leg ..            | "             | 8.60    | 8.40   | 8.35  | 10.29      | 10.14  | 10.14 | 9.86         | 9.86   | 9.86  | 9.60      | 10.00  | 10.00 | 8.00      | 8.00   | 8.00  |
| Pork, leg ..                 | "             | 13.30   | 13.40  | 13.90 | 15.00      | 14.86  | 14.86 | 12.86        | 13.00  | 13.00 | 13.00     | 12.80  | 12.80 | 12.00     | 12.00  | 12.00 |
| " , loin ..                  | "             | 13.80   | 13.70  | 14.00 | 14.86      | 14.71  | 14.71 | 12.86        | 13.00  | 13.00 | 13.20     | 13.40  | 13.40 | 12.00     | 12.00  | 12.00 |
| " , chops ..                 | "             | 13.65   | 13.65  | 13.85 | 15.00      | 15.00  | 15.00 | 14.71        | 14.71  | 14.71 | 13.40     | 13.60  | 13.60 | 12.00     | 12.00  | 12.00 |
| House Rents ..               | 4 and 5 Rooms | ..      | 280.91 | ..    | ..         | 242.88 | ..    | ..           | 195.87 | ..    | ..        | 220.01 | ..    | ..        | 212.59 | ..    |



**VICTORIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED  
FOR THE YEAR 1940 ; ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1940.**

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| Article.                     | Unit.         | MELBOURNE. |         |         | BALLARAT. |         |         | BENDIGO. |         |         | GEELONG. |         |         | WARRNAMBOOL. |         |         |
|------------------------------|---------------|------------|---------|---------|-----------|---------|---------|----------|---------|---------|----------|---------|---------|--------------|---------|---------|
|                              |               | Oct.       | Nov.    | Dec.    | Oct.      | Nov.    | Dec.    | Oct.     | Nov.    | Dec.    | Oct.     | Nov.    | Dec.    | Oct.         | Nov.    | Dec.    |
| Groceries, &c.—              |               |            |         |         |           |         |         |          |         |         |          |         |         |              |         |         |
| Bread ..                     | 2 lb.         | d. 5.53    | d. 5.55 | d. 5.55 | d. 6.00   | d. 6.00 | d. 6.00 | d. 6.00  | d. 6.00 | d. 6.00 | d. 6.00  | d. 6.00 | d. 6.00 | d. 6.30      | d. 6.30 | d. 6.35 |
| Flour, ordinary ..           | "             | 4.15       | 4.20    | 4.25    | 4.00      | 4.00    | 4.00    | 4.71     | 4.57    | 4.57    | 4.00     | 4.00    | 4.00    | 4.60         | 4.60    | 4.60    |
| " self-raising ..            | "             | 7.95       | 7.95    | 7.95    | 8.43      | 8.43    | 8.36    | 8.07     | 8.14    | 8.14    | 8.20     | 7.90    | 7.90    | 8.30         | 8.30    | 8.30    |
| Tea ..                       | lb.           | 31.10      | 31.00   | 32.05   | 29.00     | 29.29   | 30.14   | 33.00    | 33.00   | 34.00   | 30.50    | 30.50   | 31.50   | 32.00        | 32.00   | 32.86   |
| Sugar ..                     | "             | 4.00       | 4.00    | 3.95    | 4.27      | 4.27    | 4.27    | 4.50     | 4.50    | 4.50    | 4.00     | 4.00    | 4.00    | 4.25         | 4.25    | 4.25    |
| Rice (Australian) ..         | "             | 3.48       | 3.48    | 3.48    | 3.79      | 3.86    | 3.93    | 3.93     | 3.93    | 3.93    | 3.60     | 3.60    | 3.60    | 3.70         | 3.70    | 3.70    |
| Sago ..                      | "             | 3.88       | 3.93    | 4.03    | 4.07      | 4.07    | 4.21    | 3.93     | 3.93    | 4.14    | 4.00     | 4.00    | 4.10    | 4.00         | 4.00    | 4.10    |
| Jam, plum ..                 | 1½ lb.        | 9.30       | 9.40    | 9.40    | 9.21      | 9.29    | 9.43    | 8.93     | 8.93    | 9.00    | 9.00     | 9.10    | 9.10    | 9.80         | 9.80    | 9.80    |
| Golden Syrup ..              | 2 lb.         | 72.0       | 7.20    | 7.20    | 7.57      | 7.57    | 7.64    | 7.43     | 7.43    | 7.43    | 7.50     | 7.50    | 7.50    | 7.50         | 7.50    | 7.50    |
| Oats, flaked ..              | lb.           | 2.80       | 2.93    | 3.00    | 2.57      | 2.75    | 2.79    | 2.61     | 2.32    | 3.04    | 2.85     | 3.00    | 3.05    | 3.00         | 3.10    | 3.10    |
| Raisins, seeded ..           | "             | 10.85      | 10.70   | 10.70   | 10.50     | 10.64   | 10.64   | 10.71    | 10.71   | 10.71   | 10.60    | 10.60   | 10.60   | 11.40        | 11.40   | 11.56   |
| Currants ..                  | "             | 9.19       | 9.13    | 9.19    | 8.86      | 8.86    | 9.07    | 9.36     | 9.36    | 9.43    | 9.30     | 9.30    | 9.30    | 9.50         | 9.50    | 9.50    |
| Apricots, dried ..           | "             | 16.75      | 16.88   | 17.45   | 16.14     | 16.17   | 16.21   | 16.40    | 17.00   | 17.00   | 16.10    | 16.10   | 16.50   | 16.40        | 16.40   | 16.40   |
| Peaches, canned ..           | 30 oz.        | 10.30      | 10.25   | 10.30   | 9.86      | 9.71    | 9.86    | 10.43    | 10.43   | 10.43   | 9.80     | 9.80    | 9.80    | 10.70        | 10.70   | 10.70   |
| Pears, canned ..             | "             | 11.15      | 11.15   | 11.15   | 10.50     | 10.79   | 10.86   | 11.29    | 11.36   | 11.36   | 10.70    | 10.70   | 10.80   | 11.60        | 11.60   | 11.60   |
| Salmon, in tins ..           | lb.           | 16.17      | 16.39   | 16.44   | 16.43     | 17.14   | 17.43   | 17.36    | 17.79   | 17.79   | 17.38    | 17.88   | 17.88   | 17.70        | 18.10   | 18.50   |
| Potatoes ..                  | 7 lb.         | 14.80      | 16.24   | 15.87   | 11.14     | 12.97   | 14.81   | 14.71    | 16.44   | 15.77   | 12.30    | 14.50   | 12.60   | 12.90        | 11.40   | 13.46   |
| Onions, brown ..             | lb.           | 1.50       | 2.06    | 2.97    | 1.43      | 2.00    | 2.93    | 1.79     | 1.90    | 3.33    | 1.05     | 2.00    | 2.90    | 1.20         | 1.60    | 2.00    |
| Soap ..                      | "             | 7.02       | 7.02    | 7.02    | 7.17      | 7.17    | 7.17    | 7.30     | 7.30    | 7.30    | 7.13     | 7.13    | 7.13    | 7.93         | 7.93    | 7.93    |
| Kerosene ..                  | quart         | 5.35       | 5.54    | 5.47    | 5.63      | 5.75    | 5.72    | 5.84     | 6.00    | 6.00    | 5.40     | 5.45    | 5.45    | 6.00         | 6.05    | 6.05    |
| Dairy Produce—               |               |            |         |         |           |         |         |          |         |         |          |         |         |              |         |         |
| Butter, factory ..           | lb.           | 19.50      | 19.50   | 19.50   | 19.50     | 19.50   | 19.50   | 19.79    | 19.79   | 19.79   | 19.20    | 19.20   | 19.20   | 19.80        | 19.80   | 19.80   |
| Cheese, mild ..              | "             | 13.31      | 13.44   | 13.31   | 13.14     | 13.00   | 13.11   | 13.71    | 13.71   | 13.71   | 12.70    | 12.70   | 12.70   | 13.80        | 13.80   | 13.80   |
| Eggs, new laid ..            | doz.          | 14.00      | 17.60   | 17.10   | 13.00     | 14.86   | 16.29   | 13.33    | 14.71   | 14.17   | 12.80    | 14.80   | 16.20   | 14.60        | 16.20   | 17.00   |
| Bacon, rashers ..            | lb.           | 20.35      | 20.45   | 20.45   | 19.29     | 19.29   | 19.29   | 18.36    | 18.36   | 18.50   | 19.60    | 19.60   | 19.60   | 18.90        | 18.90   | 19.10   |
| Milk, condensed ..           | tin           | 9.55       | 9.50    | 9.60    | 9.43      | 9.43    | 9.43    | 10.00    | 10.00   | 10.00   | 9.50     | 9.50    | 9.50    | 10.20        | 10.20   | 10.20   |
| " fresh ..                   | quart         | 6.85       | 6.85    | 6.85    | 6.83      | 6.83    | 6.83    | 5.93     | 5.93    | 5.93    | 7.00     | 7.00    | 7.10    | 5.25         | 5.25    | 5.25    |
| Meat—                        |               |            |         |         |           |         |         |          |         |         |          |         |         |              |         |         |
| Beef, sirloin ..             | lb.           | 11.65      | 11.60   | 11.55   | 10.86     | 10.86   | 10.86   | 10.43    | 10.36   | 10.36   | 10.80    | 10.80   | 10.80   | 10.20        | 10.20   | 10.00   |
| " rib ..                     | "             | 9.45       | 9.30    | 9.35    | 9.07      | 9.00    | 8.86    | 9.14     | 8.86    | 8.86    | 9.20     | 9.20    | 9.00    | 9.00         | 9.00    | 8.60    |
| " steak, rump ..             | "             | 17.30      | 17.30   | 17.40   | 14.86     | 14.86   | 14.86   | 14.43    | 14.43   | 14.43   | 15.40    | 15.20   | 15.40   | 15.20        | 15.20   | 15.20   |
| " chuck ..                   | "             | 8.05       | 7.95    | 7.85    | 7.29      | 7.29    | 7.14    | 7.86     | 8.00    | 8.00    | 7.80     | 7.80    | 7.90    | 8.60         | 8.60    | 8.60    |
| " sausages ..                | "             | 6.50       | 6.35    | 6.35    | 6.14      | 6.14    | 6.14    | 6.57     | 6.57    | 6.43    | 7.00     | 6.90    | 6.90    | 7.60         | 7.40    | 7.20    |
| Beef (corned) silver-side .. | "             | 10.05      | 9.95    | 9.80    | 10.14     | 10.14   | 10.14   | 9.50     | 9.50    | 9.50    | 10.00    | 10.30   | 10.30   | 10.20        | 10.20   | 10.00   |
| " brisket ..                 | "             | 7.85       | 7.75    | 7.60    | 8.21      | 8.14    | 8.14    | 8.29     | 8.00    | 8.00    | 7.80     | 7.80    | 7.80    | 8.20         | 8.20    | 8.00    |
| Mutton, leg ..               | "             | 8.10       | 7.65    | 7.70    | 7.86      | 7.57    | 7.57    | 8.43     | 8.43    | 8.57    | 7.80     | 7.20    | 7.40    | 9.20         | 9.20    | 8.80    |
| " forequarter ..             | "             | 5.05       | 4.75    | 4.65    | 5.07      | 4.71    | 4.71    | 5.57     | 5.57    | 5.43    | 5.20     | 4.90    | 5.10    | 6.40         | 6.40    | 6.00    |
| " loin ..                    | "             | 7.85       | 7.30    | 7.20    | 6.43      | 6.29    | 6.14    | 7.21     | 7.21    | 7.07    | 7.80     | 7.60    | 7.40    | 8.80         | 8.60    | 8.60    |
| " chops, loin ..             | "             | 8.65       | 8.80    | 8.85    | 8.00      | 7.86    | 7.86    | 9.14     | 9.14    | 9.00    | 9.00     | 8.60    | 8.40    | 9.80         | 9.60    | 9.20    |
| " chops, leg ..              | "             | 9.30       | 9.10    | 9.25    | 8.86      | 8.71    | 8.71    | 9.00     | 9.14    | 9.14    | 8.70     | 8.40    | 8.40    | 9.60         | 9.40    | 9.00    |
| Pork, leg ..                 | "             | 12.80      | 12.45   | 12.45   | 11.71     | 11.71   | 11.43   | 12.33    | 12.33   | 12.17   | 12.20    | 12.20   | 12.20   | 12.60        | 12.80   | 12.80   |
| " loin ..                    | "             | 13.20      | 13.00   | 12.95   | 12.29     | 12.29   | 12.00   | 12.66    | 12.66   | 12.50   | 12.80    | 12.80   | 12.80   | 12.60        | 12.80   | 12.80   |
| " chops ..                   | "             | 14.10      | 14.00   | 13.70   | 13.29     | 13.00   | 12.86   | 13.33    | 13.33   | 13.17   | 13.80    | 13.60   | 13.80   | 12.80        | 12.80   | 12.80   |
| House Rents ..               | 4 and 5 Rooms | ..         | 262.28  | ..      | ..        | 177.19  | ..      | ..       | 185.26  | ..      | ..       | 239.41  | ..      | ..           | 235.58  | ..      |

RETAIL PRICES.

**QUEENSLAND—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED  
FOR THE YEAR 1940; ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1940.**

| Article.                     | Unit.         | BRISBANE. |           |           | TOOWOOMBA. |           |           | ROCKHAMPTON. |           |           | TOWNSVILLE. |           |           | BUNDABERG. |           |           |
|------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|--------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-----------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|
|                              |               | Oct.      | Nov.      | Dec.      | Oct.       | Nov.      | Dec.      | Oct.         | Nov.      | Dec.      | Oct.        | Nov.      | Dec.      | Oct.       | Nov.      | Dec.      |
| Groceries, &c.—              |               | <i>d.</i> | <i>d.</i> | <i>d.</i> | <i>d.</i>  | <i>d.</i> | <i>d.</i> | <i>d.</i>    | <i>d.</i> | <i>d.</i> | <i>d.</i>   | <i>d.</i> | <i>d.</i> | <i>d.</i>  | <i>d.</i> | <i>d.</i> |
| Bread ..                     | 2 lb.         | 5.75      | 5.75      | 5.75      | 6.00       | 6.00      | 6.00      | 6.00         | 6.00      | 6.00      | 6.00        | 6.00      | 6.00      | 6.00       | 6.00      | 6.00      |
| Flour, ordinary ..           | "             | 4.05      | 4.05      | 4.05      | 4.64       | 4.64      | 4.64      | 5.29         | 5.29      | 5.29      | 5.80        | 5.80      | 5.80      | 4.40       | 4.50      | 4.50      |
| " self-raising ..            | "             | 8.18      | 8.18      | 8.18      | 9.07       | 9.07      | 9.07      | 9.50         | 9.50      | 9.50      | 9.00        | 9.00      | 9.00      | 8.90       | 8.90      | 9.00      |
| Tea ..                       | lb.           | 29.86     | 29.77     | 30.68     | 29.57      | 29.71     | 30.43     | 30.14        | 30.14     | 31.14     | 31.60       | 31.60     | 32.50     | 28.80      | 28.80     | 29.80     |
| Sugar ..                     | "             | 3.96      | 3.96      | 3.96      | 4.23       | 4.23      | 4.23      | 4.07         | 4.07      | 4.07      | 4.50        | 4.50      | 4.50      | 3.97       | 3.97      | 3.97      |
| Rice (Australian) ..         | "             | 3.39      | 3.39      | 3.39      | 3.71       | 3.79      | 3.64      | 4.00         | 4.00      | 4.00      | 3.90        | 3.90      | 3.90      | 3.70       | 3.70      | 3.80      |
| Sago ..                      | "             | 3.91      | 3.95      | 4.05      | 3.93       | 3.93      | 4.07      | 4.36         | 4.36      | 4.36      | 3.80        | 4.10      | 4.10      | 4.10       | 4.00      | 4.10      |
| Jam, plum ..                 | 1½ lb.        | 8.73      | 8.73      | 8.76      | 8.84       | 8.84      | 8.89      | 9.00         | 9.11      | 9.11      | 9.30        | 9.30      | 9.30      | 9.23       | 9.23      | 9.23      |
| Golden Syrup ..              | 2 lb.         | 6.73      | 6.73      | 6.73      | 7.29       | 7.29      | 7.29      | 7.57         | 7.71      | 7.71      | 7.80        | 7.80      | 7.80      | 7.20       | 7.20      | 7.20      |
| Oats, flaked ..              | lb.           | 2.89      | 3.02      | 3.16      | 3.21       | 3.14      | 3.43      | 3.61         | 3.71      | 3.86      | 3.67        | 3.67      | 3.67      | 3.30       | 3.30      | 3.30      |
| Raisins, seeded ..           | "             | 11.41     | 11.41     | 11.41     | 11.86      | 11.86     | 11.71     | 11.50        | 11.50     | 11.71     | 11.40       | 11.40     | 11.40     | 11.00      | 11.00     | 11.40     |
| Currants ..                  | "             | 10.05     | 10.09     | 10.14     | 9.71       | 9.79      | 10.07     | 10.14        | 10.21     | 10.43     | 9.90        | 9.90      | 9.90      | 10.30      | 10.40     | 10.60     |
| Apricots, dried ..           | "             | 16.95     | 17.18     | 17.64     | 17.00      | 17.14     | 17.00     | 17.57        | 17.57     | 17.57     | 17.25       | 17.25     | 17.25     | 16.80      | 16.90     | 17.20     |
| Peaches, canned ..           | 30 oz.        | 11.59     | 11.64     | 11.68     | 11.86      | 11.93     | 12.07     | 11.86        | 11.86     | 11.86     | 12.00       | 12.00     | 12.00     | 12.00      | 12.00     | 12.00     |
| Pears, canned ..             | "             | 12.09     | 12.23     | 12.23     | 12.50      | 12.50     | 12.57     | 12.29        | 12.29     | 12.29     | 12.80       | 12.60     | 12.60     | 12.70      | 12.70     | 12.70     |
| Salmon, in tins ..           | lb.           | 17.45     | 17.82     | 18.18     | 17.17      | 17.83     | 18.25     | 17.83        | 18.17     | 18.17     | 13.50       | 13.50     | 13.50     | 17.13      | 17.63     | 18.00     |
| Potatoes ..                  | 7 lb.         | 15.45     | 14.55     | 17.15     | 14.86      | 13.86     | 16.00     | 14.57        | 14.57     | 19.80     | 12.60       | 12.80     | 20.33     | 14.90      | 13.80     | 17.10     |
| Onions, brown ..             | lb.           | 2.34      | 2.71      | 3.82      | 2.36       | 2.92      | 3.71      | 2.36         | 2.75      | 3.86      | 2.20        | 2.70      | 4.25      | 2.20       | 3.25      | 4.40      |
| Soap ..                      | "             | 6.24      | 6.24      | 6.24      | 6.71       | 6.71      | 6.71      | 6.91         | 6.91      | 6.91      | 6.93        | 6.93      | 6.93      | 6.53       | 6.53      | 6.60      |
| Kerosene ..                  | quart         | 4.57      | 4.71      | 4.74      | 5.52       | 5.63      | 5.59      | 6.39         | 6.42      | 6.46      | 6.33        | 6.44      | 6.44      | 5.38       | 5.53      | 5.53      |
| Dairy Produce—               |               |           |           |           |            |           |           |              |           |           |             |           |           |            |           |           |
| Butter, factory ..           | lb.           | 19.00     | 19.00     | 19.00     | 19.00      | 19.00     | 19.00     | 19.29        | 19.29     | 19.29     | 21.00       | 21.00     | 21.00     | 18.80      | 18.80     | 18.80     |
| Cheese, mild ..              | "             | 13.36     | 13.36     | 13.36     | 13.71      | 13.71     | 13.71     | 14.29        | 14.29     | 14.43     | 14.40       | 14.60     | 14.60     | 13.80      | 13.80     | 14.00     |
| Eggs, new laid ..            | doz.          | 15.55     | 15.91     | 16.64     | 10.21      | 10.79     | 12.71     | 12.43        | 13.86     | 15.50     | 15.00       | 18.00     | 20.75     | 12.80      | 13.80     | 16.20     |
| Bacon, rashers ..            | lb.           | 15.45     | 15.45     | 15.41     | 15.00      | 15.00     | 15.00     | 15.79        | 15.79     | 15.79     | 14.90       | 14.90     | 14.90     | 14.80      | 15.20     | 15.00     |
| Milk, condensed ..           | tin           | 9.32      | 9.32      | 9.32      | 9.21       | 9.21      | 9.21      | 10.07        | 10.07     | 10.07     | 10.20       | 10.20     | 10.20     | 9.80       | 9.80      | 9.80      |
| " fresh ..                   | quart         | 6.00      | 6.25      | 6.25      | 5.86       | 5.86      | 5.86      | 6.00         | 6.00      | 6.00      | 8.25        | 8.25      | 8.25      | 7.00       | 7.00      | 7.00      |
| Meat—                        |               |           |           |           |            |           |           |              |           |           |             |           |           |            |           |           |
| Beef, sirloin ..             | lb.           | 10.56     | 10.40     | 11.15     | 8.21       | 8.21      | 9.00      | 8.86         | 8.86      | 9.57      | 9.00        | 9.00      | 10.00     | 9.60       | 10.00     | 10.00     |
| " rib ..                     | "             | 7.07      | 7.50      | 8.05      | 6.07       | 6.21      | 7.00      | 5.79         | 5.93      | 6.57      | 6.00        | 6.00      | 7.00      | 7.60       | 7.80      | 7.80      |
| " steak, rump ..             | "             | 13.83     | 13.80     | 15.20     | 11.00      | 11.00     | 11.86     | 11.43        | 11.57     | 12.57     | 11.00       | 11.00     | 12.00     | 11.40      | 12.00     | 12.00     |
| " chuck ..                   | "             | 7.61      | 7.40      | 8.10      | 6.29       | 6.29      | 6.57      | 6.43         | 6.43      | 7.29      | 6.50        | 6.50      | 6.80      | 7.00       | 7.40      | 7.40      |
| " sausages ..                | "             | 6.94      | 6.90      | 7.00      | 6.29       | 6.57      | 6.86      | 6.57         | 6.57      | 7.43      | 7.00        | 7.00      | 7.50      | 7.60       | 7.80      | 7.80      |
| Beef (corned) silver-side .. | "             | 8.94      | 8.80      | 9.70      | 7.79       | 7.86      | 8.57      | 8.57         | 8.71      | 9.43      | 8.00        | 8.00      | 9.00      | 8.60       | 9.00      | 9.00      |
| " brisket ..                 | "             | 6.89      | 6.85      | 7.55      | 6.71       | 6.86      | 7.43      | 7.29         | 7.29      | 8.29      | 6.75        | 6.75      | 6.75      | 7.60       | 7.80      | 7.80      |
| Mutton, leg ..               | "             | 8.11      | 8.15      | 8.55      | 6.64       | 7.50      | 7.86      | 8.71         | 8.71      | 9.00      | 10.00       | 10.00     | 10.00     | 9.80       | 10.00     | 10.00     |
| " forequarter ..             | "             | 5.50      | 5.60      | 6.00      | 3.93       | 4.50      | 4.71      | 6.00         | 6.00      | 6.14      | 6.00        | 6.00      | 6.00      | 7.60       | 7.60      | 7.60      |
| " loin ..                    | "             | 7.72      | 7.65      | 8.05      | 6.43       | 7.29      | 7.71      | 8.57         | 8.57      | 8.71      | 8.00        | 8.00      | 8.00      | 9.80       | 10.00     | 10.00     |
| " chops, loin ..             | "             | 7.89      | 7.95      | 8.45      | 6.43       | 7.29      | 7.71      | 8.71         | 8.71      | 8.86      | 8.00        | 8.00      | 8.00      | 9.80       | 10.00     | 10.00     |
| " chops, leg ..              | "             | 8.17      | 8.20      | 8.60      | 6.64       | 7.43      | 8.00      | 8.71         | 8.71      | 9.00      | 10.00       | 10.00     | 10.00     | 9.80       | 10.00     | 10.00     |
| Pork, leg ..                 | "             | 11.89     | 11.85     | 12.10     | 10.86      | 10.93     | 11.21     | 11.43        | 11.43     | 12.29     | 13.00       | 13.00     | 13.00     | 11.80      | 11.80     | 11.80     |
| " loin ..                    | "             | 12.00     | 11.90     | 12.15     | 10.43      | 10.57     | 10.57     | 11.29        | 11.29     | 12.29     | 10.80       | 10.80     | 11.00     | 11.80      | 11.80     | 11.80     |
| " chops ..                   | "             | 12.06     | 11.95     | 12.30     | 10.57      | 10.71     | 10.86     | 11.86        | 11.86     | 12.57     | 10.80       | 10.80     | 11.00     | 11.80      | 11.80     | 11.80     |
| House Rents ..               | 4 and 5 Rooms | ..        | 231.56    | ..        | ..         | 214.29    | ..        | ..           | 203.61    | ..        | ..          | 216.52    | ..        | ..         | 161.61    | ..        |

**SOUTH AUSTRALIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1940 ; ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1940.**

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| Article.                     | Unit.         | ADELAIDE. |        |       | KADINA, MOONTA AND WALLAROO. |       |       | PORT PIKE. |        |       | MT. GAMBIER. |        |       | PETERBOROUGH. |        |       |
|------------------------------|---------------|-----------|--------|-------|------------------------------|-------|-------|------------|--------|-------|--------------|--------|-------|---------------|--------|-------|
|                              |               | Oct.      | Nov.   | Dec.  | Oct.                         | Nov.  | Dec.  | Oct.       | Nov.   | Dec.  | Oct.         | Nov.   | Dec.  | Oct.          | Nov.   | Dec.  |
| Groceries, &c.—              |               | d.        | d.     | d.    | d.                           | d.    | d.    | d.         | d.     | d.    | d.           | d.     | d.    | d.            | d.     | d.    |
| Bread ..                     | 2 lb.         | 5.50      | 5.50   | 5.50  | 6.00                         | 6.00  | 6.00  | 5.50       | 5.50   | 5.50  | 6.00         | 6.00   | 6.00  | 6.00          | 6.00   | 6.00  |
| Flour, ordinary ..           | "             | 4.55      | 4.55   | 4.55  | 5.00                         | 4.86  | 4.93  | 5.07       | 5.07   | 5.07  | 5.10         | 5.10   | 5.10  | 5.00          | 5.00   | 5.00  |
| " self-raising ..            | "             | 7.20      | 7.25   | 7.30  | 8.93                         | 9.00  | 9.00  | 8.86       | 8.86   | 8.86  | 9.19         | 9.30   | 9.50  | 8.80          | 8.80   | 8.80  |
| Tea ..                       | lb.           | 30.90     | 30.90  | 31.70 | 32.86                        | 32.86 | 33.86 | 31.64      | 31.64  | 32.79 | 32.40        | 32.60  | 33.60 | 32.60         | 32.60  | 33.60 |
| Sugar ..                     | "             | 4.00      | 4.00   | 4.00  | 4.31                         | 4.31  | 4.31  | 4.19       | 4.19   | 4.19  | 4.33         | 4.33   | 4.33  | 4.50          | 4.50   | 4.50  |
| Rice (Australian) ..         | "             | 3.50      | 3.50   | 3.50  | 4.00                         | 4.00  | 4.00  | 4.21       | 4.21   | 4.29  | 4.00         | 4.00   | 4.00  | 4.00          | 4.00   | 4.00  |
| Sago ..                      | "             | 3.65      | 3.65   | 3.80  | 4.14                         | 4.29  | 4.43  | 3.93       | 4.14   | 4.21  | 4.60         | 4.60   | 4.70  | 4.40          | 4.50   | 4.60  |
| Jam, plum ..                 | 1 1/2 lb.     | 8.70      | 8.70   | 8.75  | 9.80                         | 9.80  | 9.80  | 9.58       | 9.67   | 9.57  | 10.00        | 10.20  | 10.20 | 10.20         | 10.20  | 10.20 |
| Golden Syrup ..              | 2 lb.         | 6.55      | 6.55   | 6.55  | 8.07                         | 8.07  | 8.29  | 8.50       | 8.43   | 8.43  | 7.80         | 7.80   | 7.80  | 7.90          | 7.90   | 7.90  |
| Oats, flaked ..              | lb.           | 2.83      | 2.88   | 2.90  | 3.83                         | 3.83  | 3.83  | 3.42       | 3.50   | 3.67  | 3.33         | 3.33   | 3.50  | 3.30          | 3.30   | 3.38  |
| Raisins, seeded ..           | "             | 9.80      | 9.80   | 9.70  | 11.21                        | 11.36 | 11.57 | 11.81      | 11.81  | 11.81 | 11.40        | 11.60  | 11.60 | 11.20         | 11.30  | 11.30 |
| Currants ..                  | "             | 8.70      | 8.70   | 8.70  | 9.71                         | 9.79  | 9.79  | 9.57       | 9.64   | 10.00 | 9.90         | 9.90   | 9.90  | 9.80          | 9.80   | 9.80  |
| Apricots, dried ..           | "             | 16.40     | 16.30  | 16.30 | 17.29                        | 17.29 | 16.86 | 17.14      | 17.29  | 17.29 | 17.00        | 17.00  | 16.75 | 17.60         | 17.60  | 17.60 |
| Peaches, canned ..           | 30 oz.        | 10.25     | 10.25  | 10.25 | 12.00                        | 12.14 | 12.14 | 11.57      | 11.64  | 11.64 | 11.40        | 11.60  | 11.60 | 11.88         | 12.13  | 12.20 |
| Pears, canned ..             | "             | 10.20     | 10.20  | 10.20 | 12.00                        | 12.00 | 12.00 | 11.64      | 11.71  | 11.71 | 11.70        | 11.90  | 11.70 | 12.00         | 12.25  | 12.20 |
| Salmon, in tins ..           | lb.           | 15.15     | 15.70  | 16.15 | 16.17                        | 17.20 | 17.67 | 16.71      | 17.00  | 17.43 | 16.33        | 16.33  | 16.67 | 16.60         | 17.20  | 17.40 |
| Potatoes ..                  | 7 lb.         | 14.14     | 17.83  | 12.80 | 16.58                        | 21.67 | 17.17 | 16.57      | 18.14  | 16.43 | 12.66        | 13.70  | 15.32 | 17.20         | 19.60  | 15.40 |
| Onions, brown ..             | lb.           | 1.36      | 1.29   | 1.25  | 2.17                         | 2.40  | 2.20  | 1.86       | 2.00   | 1.93  | 2.00         | 2.00   | 2.00  | 1.70          | 1.75   | 1.70  |
| Soap ..                      | "             | 7.00      | 7.00   | 7.00  | 7.67                         | 7.67  | 7.67  | 7.19       | 7.19   | 7.24  | 7.33         | 7.33   | 7.47  | 7.40          | 7.40   | 7.40  |
| Kerosene ..                  | quart         | 4.74      | 4.88   | 4.91  | 5.20                         | 5.36  | 5.36  | 5.79       | 5.82   | 5.89  | 5.20         | 5.35   | 5.40  | 5.55          | 5.70   | 5.70  |
| Dairy Produce—               |               |           |        |       |                              |       |       |            |        |       |              |        |       |               |        |       |
| Butter, factory ..           | lb.           | 19.05     | 19.05  | 19.05 | 20.93                        | 20.93 | 20.93 | 19.93      | 19.93  | 20.00 | 20.00        | 20.00  | 20.00 | 19.90         | 19.90  | 19.90 |
| Cheese, mild ..              | "             | 12.30     | 12.30  | 12.30 | 14.71                        | 14.71 | 14.86 | 15.29      | 15.14  | 15.29 | 14.40        | 14.40  | 14.40 | 14.40         | 14.40  | 14.40 |
| Eggs, new laid ..            | doz.          | 12.85     | 13.40  | 13.45 | 11.29                        | 11.29 | 11.21 | 10.43      | 10.86  | 12.00 | 10.20        | 10.60  | 11.80 | 11.40         | 10.80  | 11.10 |
| Bacon, rashers ..            | lb.           | 18.15     | 18.15  | 18.15 | 20.00                        | 19.71 | 19.71 | 19.57      | 19.57  | 19.57 | 19.60        | 19.60  | 19.60 | 19.60         | 19.60  | 19.60 |
| Milk, condensed ..           | tin           | 9.15      | 8.90   | 8.85  | 10.00                        | 10.00 | 9.93  | 9.79       | 9.79   | 9.86  | 10.20        | 10.20  | 10.20 | 9.70          | 9.70   | 9.40  |
| " fresh ..                   | quart         | 5.85      | 5.85   | 5.85  | 6.00                         | 6.00  | 6.00  | 7.57       | 7.57   | 7.57  | 6.00         | 6.00   | 6.00  | 8.00          | 8.00   | 8.00  |
| Meat—                        |               |           |        |       |                              |       |       |            |        |       |              |        |       |               |        |       |
| Beef, sirloin ..             | lb.           | 10.15     | 10.10  | 10.10 | 9.14                         | 9.14  | 9.43  | 9.14       | 9.29   | 9.29  | 9.60         | 9.40   | 9.40  | 8.00          | 8.00   | 8.00  |
| " rib ..                     | "             | 8.10      | 8.05   | 8.20  | 9.00                         | 9.00  | 9.00  | 8.57       | 8.71   | 8.71  | 8.40         | 8.40   | 8.40  | 8.00          | 8.00   | 8.00  |
| " steak, rump ..             | "             | 14.00     | 13.80  | 13.80 | 13.71                        | 13.71 | 13.71 | 14.71      | 14.71  | 14.71 | 13.60        | 13.60  | 13.60 | 14.00         | 14.00  | 14.00 |
| " chuck ..                   | "             | 8.80      | 8.80   | 8.80  | 9.43                         | 9.71  | 9.86  | 9.86       | 9.86   | 9.86  | 7.60         | 7.60   | 7.60  | 8.00          | 8.00   | 8.00  |
| " sausages ..                | "             | 5.90      | 5.80   | 5.80  | 6.57                         | 6.57  | 6.57  | 6.71       | 6.71   | 6.71  | 6.00         | 6.00   | 6.00  | 6.00          | 5.75   | 6.00  |
| Beef (corned) silver-side .. | "             | 10.15     | 10.10  | 10.10 | 10.14                        | 10.29 | 10.29 | 10.71      | 10.71  | 10.71 | 9.60         | 9.60   | 9.60  | 11.00         | 11.00  | 11.00 |
| " "brisket ..                | "             | 7.55      | 7.55   | 7.55  | 8.71                         | 8.86  | 8.86  | 9.00       | 9.00   | 9.00  | 7.60         | 7.60   | 7.60  | 9.00          | 9.00   | 9.00  |
| Mutton, leg ..               | "             | 7.65      | 7.55   | 7.50  | 7.86                         | 7.71  | 7.57  | 8.86       | 8.86   | 8.86  | 6.80         | 6.60   | 6.80  | 8.00          | 8.00   | 8.00  |
| " forequarter ..             | "             | 4.30      | 4.00   | 3.90  | 6.00                         | 5.86  | 5.86  | 5.86       | 5.86   | 5.86  | 4.90         | 4.70   | 4.60  | 5.00          | 5.00   | 5.00  |
| " loin ..                    | "             | 7.15      | 6.95   | 6.90  | 7.43                         | 7.29  | 7.29  | 7.29       | 7.29   | 7.29  | 6.40         | 6.40   | 6.40  | 6.00          | 6.00   | 6.00  |
| " chops, loin ..             | "             | 8.20      | 7.80   | 7.80  | 8.29                         | 8.14  | 8.14  | 9.57       | 9.57   | 9.57  | 7.80         | 7.80   | 7.80  | 8.50          | 8.50   | 8.50  |
| " chops, leg ..              | "             | 8.75      | 8.45   | 8.70  | 8.57                         | 8.43  | 8.43  | 9.71       | 9.57   | 9.71  | 7.60         | 7.40   | 7.60  | 9.00          | 9.00   | 9.00  |
| Pork, leg ..                 | "             | 10.60     | 10.55  | 10.70 | 10.86                        | 10.86 | 10.86 | 12.00      | 12.00  | 12.00 | 10.20        | 10.00  | 9.60  | 12.00         | 12.00  | 12.00 |
| " loin ..                    | "             | 11.45     | 11.65  | 11.60 | 10.71                        | 10.71 | 10.71 | 11.86      | 11.86  | 11.86 | 10.00        | 10.00  | 10.00 | 10.00         | 10.00  | 10.00 |
| " chops ..                   | "             | 11.60     | 11.70  | 11.60 | 11.00                        | 11.00 | 10.43 | 12.57      | 12.57  | 12.57 | 11.00        | 10.60  | 10.40 | 12.00         | 12.00  | 12.00 |
| House Rents ..               | 4 and 5 Rooms | ..        | 240.62 | ..    | ..                           | 97.47 | ..    | ..         | 179.79 | ..    | ..           | 175.66 | ..    | ..            | 194.31 | ..    |

RETAIL PRICES.



**WESTERN AUSTRALIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1940 ; ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1940.**

| Article.                     | Unit.         | PERTH AND FREMANTLE. |        |       | KALGOORLIE AND BOULDER. |        |       | NORTHAM. |        |       | BUNBURY. |        |       | GERALDTON. |        |       |
|------------------------------|---------------|----------------------|--------|-------|-------------------------|--------|-------|----------|--------|-------|----------|--------|-------|------------|--------|-------|
|                              |               | Oct.                 | Nov.   | Dec.  | Oct.                    | Nov.   | Dec.  | Oct.     | Nov.   | Dec.  | Oct.     | Nov.   | Dec.  | Oct.       | Nov.   | Dec.  |
| Groceries, &c.—              |               | d.                   | d.     | d.    | d.                      | d.     | d.    | d.       | d.     | d.    | d.       | d.     | d.    | d.         | d.     | d.    |
| Bread ..                     | 2 lb.         | 6.00                 | 6.00   | 6.00  | 6.50                    | 6.50   | 6.50  | 6.00     | 6.00   | 6.00  | 6.00     | 6.00   | 6.00  | 6.00       | 6.00   | 6.00  |
| Flour, ordinary ..           | "             | 5.00                 | 5.00   | 5.00  | 6.00                    | 6.00   | 6.00  | 4.00     | 4.20   | 4.20  | 4.75     | 4.75   | 4.75  | 5.20       | 5.20   | 5.20  |
| " self-raising ..            | "             | 7.70                 | 7.70   | 7.80  | 9.00                    | 9.00   | 9.00  | 8.10     | 8.20   | 8.30  | 8.00     | 7.88   | 8.38  | 7.73       | 7.73   | 7.73  |
| Tea ..                       | lb.           | 31.10                | 31.10  | 31.90 | 34.00                   | 33.43  | 34.14 | 32.00    | 32.00  | 33.00 | 30.50    | 31.00  | 32.00 | 33.00      | 33.00  | 33.80 |
| Sugar ..                     | "             | 4.00                 | 4.00   | 4.00  | 4.96                    | 4.96   | 4.96  | 4.50     | 4.50   | 4.50  | 4.17     | 4.17   | 4.17  | 4.50       | 4.50   | 4.50  |
| Rice (Australian) ..         | "             | 3.65                 | 3.65   | 3.65  | 5.00                    | 5.00   | 5.00  | 4.00     | 4.00   | 4.00  | 4.00     | 4.00   | 4.00  | 4.10       | 4.10   | 4.10  |
| Sago ..                      | "             | 4.00                 | 4.05   | 4.05  | 5.00                    | 5.00   | 5.00  | 4.00     | 4.00   | 4.10  | 3.88     | 3.88   | 3.88  | 4.30       | 4.30   | 4.30  |
| Jam, plum ..                 | 1½ lb.        | 9.55                 | 9.70   | 9.70  | 11.00                   | 11.00  | 11.00 | 10.10    | 10.10  | 10.20 | 10.00    | 10.00  | 10.25 | 10.80      | 10.80  | 10.80 |
| Golden Syrup ..              | 2 lb.         | 7.40                 | 7.40   | 7.40  | 10.36                   | 10.36  | 10.36 | 8.10     | 8.10   | 8.10  | 8.13     | 8.13   | 8.13  | 8.80       | 8.80   | 8.80  |
| Oats, flaked ..              | lb.           | 3.50                 | 3.58   | 3.70  | 4.14                    | 4.14   | 4.14  | 3.38     | 3.50   | 3.63  | 3.63     | 3.63   | 3.50  | 3.90       | 4.00   | 4.00  |
| Raisins, seeded ..           | "             | 10.60                | 10.65  | 10.75 | 12.00                   | 12.14  | 12.29 | 11.60    | 11.60  | 11.50 | 10.50    | 10.38  | 10.88 | 11.40      | 11.40  | 11.40 |
| Currants ..                  | "             | 9.35                 | 9.45   | 9.55  | 10.07                   | 10.07  | 10.07 | 9.10     | 9.30   | 9.90  | 9.50     | 9.50   | 9.88  | 10.00      | 10.00  | 10.10 |
| Apricots, dried ..           | "             | 16.20                | 16.30  | 16.30 | 18.00                   | 18.00  | 18.00 | 16.20    | 17.50  | 17.50 | 17.50    | 18.00  | 18.00 | 16.80      | 17.40  | 17.40 |
| Peaches, canned ..           | 30 oz.        | 12.00                | 12.00  | 12.05 | 13.14                   | 13.14  | 13.14 | 12.00    | 12.20  | 13.00 | 12.75    | 12.75  | 12.75 | 12.60      | 12.60  | 12.80 |
| Pears, canned ..             | "             | 12.80                | 12.90  | 12.90 | 14.00                   | 14.00  | 14.00 | 12.00    | 12.20  | 13.00 | 13.00    | 12.75  | 13.00 | 13.00      | 13.20  | 13.20 |
| Salmon, in tins ..           | lb.           | 16.33                | 16.83  | 17.50 | 18.75                   | 19.83  | 19.67 | 17.75    | 17.75  | 19.75 | 15.67    | 15.67  | 19.33 | 17.00      | 17.00  | 18.25 |
| Potatoes ..                  | 7 lb.         | 10.20                | 10.15  | 9.80  | 11.79                   | 12.21  | 12.21 | 11.80    | 12.20  | 12.30 | 10.00    | 10.00  | 10.13 | 12.00      | 12.00  | 12.00 |
| Onions, brown ..             | lb.           | 2.50                 | 2.80   | 3.25  | 2.86                    | 3.14   | 4.14  | 3.00     | 3.00   | 3.40  | 3.25     | 3.25   | 3.25  | 3.00       | 2.90   | 4.00  |
| Soap ..                      | "             | 6.67                 | 6.67   | 6.67  | 7.33                    | 7.33   | 7.33  | 7.00     | 7.00   | 6.93  | 7.00     | 7.00   | 7.17  | 7.33       | 7.33   | 7.33  |
| Kerosene ..                  | quart         | 5.26                 | 5.45   | 5.45  | 7.13                    | 7.13   | 7.26  | 5.59     | 5.75   | 5.75  | 5.75     | 5.96   | 6.00  | 6.41       | 6.48   | 6.53  |
| Dairy Produce—               |               |                      |        |       |                         |        |       |          |        |       |          |        |       |            |        |       |
| Butter, factory ..           | lb.           | 20.00                | 20.00  | 20.00 | 23.00                   | 23.00  | 23.00 | 22.00    | 22.00  | 22.00 | 20.00    | 20.00  | 20.00 | 21.00      | 21.00  | 21.00 |
| Cheese, mild ..              | "             | 15.40                | 15.20  | 15.20 | 16.00                   | 16.00  | 16.00 | 15.80    | 15.80  | 15.80 | 15.00    | 15.00  | 15.00 | 15.80      | 15.80  | 15.80 |
| Eggs, new laid ..            | doz.          | 14.20                | 14.70  | 16.56 | 15.29                   | 16.43  | 17.29 | 10.40    | 10.40  | 11.60 | 10.25    | 13.50  | 14.25 | 9.20       | 9.40   | 12.20 |
| Bacon, rashers ..            | lb.           | 17.40                | 17.40  | 17.40 | 18.86                   | 18.86  | 18.86 | 17.00    | 17.00  | 17.00 | 16.00    | 16.00  | 16.00 | 17.80      | 17.80  | 17.80 |
| Milk, condensed ..           | tin           | 9.40                 | 9.35   | 9.40  | 10.50                   | 10.50  | 10.50 | 9.60     | 9.70   | 9.70  | 10.00    | 9.88   | 9.88  | 10.60      | 10.60  | 10.60 |
| " fresh ..                   | quart         | 7.00                 | 7.00   | 7.00  | 9.67                    | 9.83   | 9.83  | 8.00     | 8.00   | 8.00  | 6.00     | 6.00   | 6.00  | 7.00       | 7.00   | 7.00  |
| Meat—                        |               |                      |        |       |                         |        |       |          |        |       |          |        |       |            |        |       |
| Beef, sirloin ..             | lb.           | 10.60                | 10.60  | 10.60 | 11.86                   | 11.86  | 11.86 | 10.25    | 10.25  | 10.25 | 12.00    | 12.00  | 11.80 | 10.00      | 10.00  | 10.00 |
| " rib ..                     | "             | 9.00                 | 9.10   | 9.00  | 11.00                   | 11.00  | 10.86 | 9.25     | 9.25   | 9.25  | 10.20    | 10.20  | 10.20 | 9.00       | 9.00   | 9.00  |
| " steak, rump ..             | "             | 15.90                | 15.90  | 15.90 | 18.00                   | 18.00  | 18.00 | 15.50    | 15.50  | 16.00 | 16.00    | 16.00  | 16.00 | 15.00      | 15.00  | 15.00 |
| " chuck ..                   | "             | 9.10                 | 9.00   | 9.00  | 10.86                   | 10.86  | 10.86 | 10.00    | 10.00  | 9.75  | 11.00    | 10.60  | 10.40 | 9.00       | 9.00   | 8.33  |
| " sausages ..                | "             | 7.70                 | 7.70   | 7.70  | 8.86                    | 8.86   | 8.86  | 8.00     | 8.00   | 8.00  | 8.00     | 8.00   | 8.00  | 8.00       | 8.00   | 8.00  |
| Beef (corned) silver-side .. | "             | 9.15                 | 9.05   | 9.05  | 12.00                   | 11.71  | 11.86 | 10.00    | 10.00  | 10.00 | 10.00    | 10.00  | 10.00 | 10.00      | 10.00  | 9.00  |
| " brisket ..                 | "             | 7.30                 | 7.30   | 7.15  | 8.14                    | 8.29   | 8.29  | 8.88     | 8.13   | 8.00  | 8.00     | 8.00   | 8.00  | 9.00       | 9.00   | 9.00  |
| Mutton, leg ..               | "             | 8.10                 | 7.70   | 7.70  | 11.00                   | 10.14  | 10.14 | 8.25     | 7.75   | 7.75  | 9.40     | 9.20   | 9.40  | 8.00       | 8.00   | 8.00  |
| " forequarter ..             | "             | 5.05                 | 4.75   | 4.80  | 7.00                    | 6.14   | 6.14  | 5.75     | 4.63   | 4.50  | 6.40     | 6.00   | 6.00  | 5.00       | 5.00   | 5.00  |
| " loin ..                    | "             | 7.75                 | 7.45   | 7.55  | 10.71                   | 9.86   | 10.00 | 7.75     | 7.00   | 6.75  | 9.60     | 9.20   | 9.20  | 7.67       | 7.67   | 7.67  |
| " chops, loin ..             | "             | 8.65                 | 8.55   | 8.45  | 11.71                   | 11.00  | 11.00 | 9.25     | 9.25   | 9.25  | 9.80     | 9.40   | 9.40  | 8.00       | 8.00   | 8.00  |
| " chops, leg ..              | "             | 8.85                 | 8.75   | 8.80  | 11.57                   | 11.00  | 10.86 | 9.25     | 9.50   | 9.00  | 9.80     | 9.40   | 9.40  | 8.00       | 8.00   | 8.00  |
| Pork, leg ..                 | "             | 12.50                | 12.20  | 12.30 | 14.29                   | 14.00  | 14.00 | 11.75    | 11.75  | 11.75 | 12.00    | 12.00  | 12.00 | 12.00      | 12.00  | 12.00 |
| " loin ..                    | "             | 12.50                | 12.50  | 12.30 | 13.29                   | 13.14  | 13.43 | 11.50    | 11.50  | 11.25 | 12.00    | 12.00  | 12.00 | 12.00      | 12.00  | 12.00 |
| " chops ..                   | "             | 12.80                | 12.70  | 12.50 | 15.00                   | 14.86  | 15.00 | 12.00    | 12.00  | 12.00 | 12.00    | 12.00  | 12.00 | 12.00      | 12.00  | 12.00 |
| House Rents ..               | 4 and 5 Rooms | ..                   | 237.76 | ..    | ..                      | 330.72 | ..    | ..       | 223.99 | ..    | ..       | 251.77 | ..    | ..         | 263.32 | ..    |

**TASMANIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED  
FOR THE YEAR 1940 ; ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1940.**

| Article.                     | Unit.         | HOBART. |        |       | LAUNCESTON. |        |       | BURNIE. |        |       | DEVONPORT. |        |       | QUEENSTOWN. |        |       |
|------------------------------|---------------|---------|--------|-------|-------------|--------|-------|---------|--------|-------|------------|--------|-------|-------------|--------|-------|
|                              |               | Oct.    | Nov.   | Dec.  | Oct.        | Nov.   | Dec.  | Oct.    | Nov.   | Dec.  | Oct.       | Nov.   | Dec.  | Oct.        | Nov.   | Dec.  |
| Groceries, &c.—              |               | d.      | d.     | d.    | d.          | d.     | d.    | d.      | d.     | d.    | d.         | d.     | d.    | d.          | d.     | d.    |
| Bread ..                     | 2 lb.         | 5.50    | 5.50   | 5.50  | 5.50        | 5.50   | 5.50  | 5.50    | 5.50   | 5.50  | 6.00       | 6.00   | 6.00  | 5.50        | 5.50   | 5.50  |
| Flour, ordinary ..           | "             | 4.20    | 4.20   | 4.20  | 3.79        | 3.79   | 3.79  | 4.80    | 4.80   | 4.80  | 4.50       | 4.50   | 4.50  | 4.50        | 4.50   | 4.50  |
| " self-raising ..            | "             | 7.60    | 7.70   | 7.70  | 7.36        | 7.36   | 7.36  | 8.50    | 8.50   | 8.50  | 8.00       | 8.00   | 8.00  | 7.75        | 7.75   | 7.75  |
| Tea ..                       | lb.           | 31.10   | 31.10  | 31.90 | 31.14       | 31.14  | 32.14 | 31.00   | 31.00  | 32.00 | 31.20      | 31.20  | 32.50 | 30.50       | 31.00  | 31.75 |
| Sugar ..                     | "             | 4.00    | 4.00   | 4.00  | 4.00        | 4.00   | 4.00  | 4.25    | 4.25   | 4.25  | 4.25       | 4.25   | 4.25  | 4.00        | 4.00   | 4.00  |
| Rice (Australian) ..         | "             | 3.80    | 3.80   | 3.80  | 3.71        | 3.71   | 3.71  | 3.90    | 3.90   | 3.90  | 3.90       | 3.90   | 3.90  | 4.13        | 4.13   | 4.13  |
| Bago ..                      | "             | 4.20    | 4.35   | 4.40  | 3.86        | 4.00   | 4.07  | 4.30    | 4.30   | 4.30  | 4.30       | 4.30   | 4.30  | 4.38        | 4.38   | 4.38  |
| Jam, plum ..                 | 1½ lb.        | 8.60    | 8.60   | 8.60  | 8.36        | 8.36   | 8.36  | 8.70    | 8.70   | 8.70  | 8.80       | 8.80   | 8.80  | 9.00        | 9.00   | 9.00  |
| Golden Syrup ..              | 2 lb.         | 7.85    | 7.90   | 8.10  | 7.29        | 7.29   | 7.29  | 7.00    | 7.00   | 7.00  | 7.70       | 7.70   | 7.70  | 9.38        | 9.38   | 9.38  |
| Oats, flaked ..              | lb.           | 3.45    | 3.65   | 3.75  | 3.04        | 3.21   | 3.29  | 3.00    | 3.20   | 3.20  | 3.25       | 3.25   | 3.25  | 4.67        | 4.67   | 4.67  |
| Raisins, seeded ..           | "             | 10.95   | 10.95  | 11.00 | 11.14       | 11.14  | 11.21 | 11.30   | 11.40  | 11.40 | 11.50      | 11.50  | 11.60 | 11.13       | 11.13  | 11.13 |
| Currants ..                  | "             | 9.70    | 9.80   | 9.85  | 9.50        | 9.50   | 9.57  | 10.00   | 10.00  | 10.00 | 9.90       | 10.00  | 10.00 | 9.38        | 9.38   | 9.63  |
| Apricots, dried ..           | "             | 17.50   | 17.42  | 17.42 | 16.25       | 16.25  | 16.25 | 17.50   | 17.50  | 17.50 | 18.00      | 18.00  | 18.25 | 17.00       | 17.00  | 17.00 |
| Peaches, canned ..           | 30 oz.        | 11.55   | 11.55  | 11.55 | 11.36       | 11.36  | 11.36 | 11.60   | 11.60  | 11.60 | 11.70      | 11.70  | 11.70 | 11.88       | 11.88  | 11.88 |
| Pears, canned ..             | "             | 11.45   | 11.45  | 11.45 | 11.21       | 11.21  | 11.29 | 11.90   | 11.90  | 11.90 | 11.90      | 11.90  | 11.90 | 12.25       | 12.25  | 12.25 |
| Salmon, in tins ..           | lb.           | 16.50   | 16.72  | 17.28 | 16.00       | 16.50  | 17.83 | 17.00   | 17.00  | 17.00 | 16.60      | 16.60  | 17.60 | 17.00       | 17.00  | 17.50 |
| Potatoes ..                  | 7 lb.         | 12.13   | 11.88  | 12.40 | 9.02        | 9.61   | 13.88 | 13.30   | 16.10  | 16.80 | 12.63      | 15.60  | 12.00 | 15.27       | 15.27  | 18.92 |
| Onions, brown ..             | lb.           | 2.56    | 2.78   | 3.56  | 1.83        | 2.33   | 3.40  | 2.20    | 2.60   | 3.40  | 2.50       | 2.20   | 3.00  | 2.75        | 2.75   | 3.00  |
| Soap ..                      | "             | 7.07    | 7.07   | 7.03  | 7.00        | 7.00   | 7.00  | 7.33    | 7.33   | 7.33  | 7.13       | 7.13   | 7.13  | 7.00        | 7.00   | 7.00  |
| Kerosene ..                  | quart         | 6.45    | 6.24   | 6.24  | 6.56        | 6.62   | 6.62  | 6.58    | 6.58   | 6.63  | 6.75       | 6.88   | 6.78  | 7.58        | 7.67   | 7.92  |
| Dairy Produce—               |               |         |        |       |             |        |       |         |        |       |            |        |       |             |        |       |
| Butter, factory ..           | lb.           | 20.00   | 20.00  | 20.00 | 20.00       | 20.00  | 20.00 | 20.00   | 20.00  | 20.00 | 20.00      | 20.00  | 20.00 | 19.25       | 19.25  | 19.25 |
| Cheese, mild ..              | "             | 14.25   | 14.25  | 14.25 | 13.07       | 13.07  | 13.21 | 14.25   | 14.25  | 14.25 | 14.40      | 14.40  | 14.40 | 14.50       | 14.50  | 14.50 |
| Eggs, new laid ..            | doz.          | 12.70   | 16.40  | 14.20 | 12.00       | 13.43  | 13.43 | 11.60   | 14.60  | 15.00 | 10.40      | 11.60  | 12.40 | 15.50       | 16.75  | 17.75 |
| Bacon, rashers ..            | lb.           | 17.40   | 17.50  | 17.30 | 16.71       | 16.71  | 16.71 | 16.30   | 16.30  | 16.30 | 17.20      | 17.20  | 17.20 | 16.00       | 16.38  | 16.50 |
| Milk, condensed ..           | tin           | 9.75    | 9.75   | 9.75  | 9.57        | 9.57   | 9.57  | 10.40   | 10.40  | 10.40 | 10.50      | 10.60  | 10.60 | 10.00       | 10.00  | 10.00 |
| " fresh ..                   | quart         | 6.67    | 6.67   | 6.67  | 6.00        | 6.14   | 6.00  | 6.33    | 6.33   | 6.33  | 6.00       | 6.00   | 6.00  | 8.00        | 8.00   | 8.00  |
| Meat—                        |               |         |        |       |             |        |       |         |        |       |            |        |       |             |        |       |
| Beef, sirloin ..             | lb.           | 11.00   | 10.90  | 10.90 | 10.64       | 10.64  | 10.29 | 10.00   | 10.00  | 10.00 | 10.00      | 10.00  | 10.00 | 11.33       | 11.67  | 11.67 |
| " rib ..                     | "             | 9.60    | 9.40   | 9.40  | 9.36        | 9.36   | 9.21  | 9.50    | 9.50   | 9.50  | 9.33       | 9.33   | 9.33  | 10.33       | 10.67  | 10.67 |
| " steak, rump ..             | "             | 15.50   | 15.40  | 15.10 | 14.57       | 14.43  | 14.14 | 13.50   | 13.50  | 13.50 | 11.67      | 11.67  | 11.67 | 14.33       | 14.67  | 14.67 |
| " chuck ..                   | "             | 9.20    | 9.20   | 9.00  | 8.29        | 8.14   | 8.00  | 8.50    | 8.50   | 8.50  | 8.67       | 8.67   | 8.67  | 10.33       | 10.67  | 10.67 |
| " sausages ..                | "             | 7.00    | 7.10   | 7.10  | 7.14        | 7.00   | 7.00  | 8.00    | 8.00   | 8.00  | 7.67       | 7.67   | 8.33  | 8.67        | 8.67   | 8.67  |
| Beef (corned) silver-side .. | "             | 10.70   | 10.60  | 10.50 | 10.36       | 10.36  | 10.07 | 9.75    | 9.75   | 9.75  | 9.67       | 9.67   | 9.67  | 11.33       | 11.67  | 11.67 |
| " brisket ..                 | "             | 8.80    | 8.90   | 8.80  | 9.00        | 9.00   | 8.86  | 9.00    | 9.00   | 9.00  | 8.67       | 8.67   | 8.67  | 10.33       | 10.67  | 10.67 |
| Mutton, leg ..               | "             | 9.60    | 9.20   | 9.20  | 10.14       | 10.14  | 9.93  | 11.00   | 11.00  | 11.00 | 11.67      | 11.67  | 11.67 | 11.67       | 12.00  | 12.00 |
| " forequarter ..             | "             | 6.65    | 6.35   | 6.25  | 7.29        | 7.14   | 7.07  | 8.25    | 8.25   | 8.25  | 9.67       | 9.67   | 9.67  | 9.67        | 10.00  | 10.00 |
| " loin ..                    | "             | 9.00    | 8.40   | 8.40  | 9.64        | 9.57   | 9.29  | 10.00   | 10.00  | 10.00 | 11.33      | 11.33  | 11.33 | 11.67       | 12.00  | 12.00 |
| " chops, loin ..             | "             | 10.50   | 10.40  | 9.90  | 11.57       | 11.57  | 11.29 | 12.00   | 12.00  | 12.00 | 11.67      | 11.67  | 11.67 | 11.67       | 12.00  | 12.00 |
| " chops, leg ..              | "             | 10.70   | 10.70  | 10.70 | 11.14       | 11.29  | 11.00 | 11.75   | 11.75  | 11.75 | 11.67      | 11.67  | 11.67 | 11.33       | 12.00  | 12.00 |
| Pork, leg ..                 | "             | 13.20   | 12.80  | 13.00 | 12.29       | 12.14  | 12.00 | 11.00   | 11.00  | 11.00 | 10.33      | 10.67  | 10.67 | 12.33       | 12.67  | 12.67 |
| " loin ..                    | "             | 13.60   | 13.50  | 13.60 | 12.71       | 12.29  | 12.14 | 12.00   | 12.00  | 12.00 | 11.33      | 11.33  | 11.00 | 12.33       | 12.67  | 12.67 |
| " chops ..                   | "             | 13.60   | 13.70  | 13.60 | 12.57       | 12.43  | 12.29 | 12.00   | 12.00  | 12.00 | 11.67      | 11.67  | 11.33 | 12.33       | 12.67  | 12.67 |
| House Rents ..               | 4 and 5 Rooms | ..      | 251.52 | ..    | ..          | 230.94 | ..    | ..      | 211.97 | ..    | ..         | 193.45 | ..    | ..          | 204.86 | ..    |

## Section VIII.—Wholesale Price Index-Numbers.

## MELBOURNE WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS.

(Base: 1911 = 1,000.)

| Period. | Metals<br>and<br>Coal. | Wool,<br>Cotton,<br>Leather,<br>&c. | Agri-<br>cultural<br>Pro-<br>duce, &c. | Dairy<br>Pro-<br>duce. | Gro-<br>ceries. | Meat. | Building<br>Ma-<br>terials. | Chem-<br>icals. | All<br>Groups. |
|---------|------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|------------------------|-----------------|-------|-----------------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| 1861..  | 1,438                  | 1,381                               | 1,583                                  | 1,008                  | 1,963           | ..    | 1,070                       | 2,030           | 1,538          |
| 1871..  | 1,096                  | 1,257                               | 1,236                                  | 864                    | 1,586           | ..    | 1,044                       | 1,409           | 1,220          |
| 1881..  | 1,178                  | 1,115                               | 1,012                                  | 935                    | 1,421           | ..    | 1,091                       | 1,587           | 1,121          |
| 1891..  | 895                    | 847                                 | 1,024                                  | 995                    | 1,032           | 888   | 780                         | 1,194           | 945            |
| 1901..  | 1,061                  | 774                                 | 928                                    | 1,029                  | 1,048           | 1,345 | 841                         | 917             | 974            |
| 1902..  | 1,007                  | 756                                 | 1,192                                  | 1,215                  | 945             | 1,447 | 837                         | 881             | 1,051          |
| 1903..  | 923                    | 834                                 | 1,209                                  | 1,059                  | 936             | 1,443 | 875                         | 921             | 1,049          |
| 1904..  | 821                    | 885                                 | 754                                    | 876                    | 916             | 1,427 | 845                         | 875             | 890            |
| 1905..  | 772                    | 850                                 | 894                                    | 980                    | 942             | 1,209 | 801                         | 859             | 910            |
| 1906..  | 882                    | 978                                 | 916                                    | 972                    | 923             | 1,110 | 896                         | 864             | 948            |
| 1907..  | 1,037                  | 1,017                               | 973                                    | 1,020                  | 948             | 1,294 | 968                         | 961             | 1,021          |
| 1908..  | 1,033                  | 901                                 | 1,312                                  | 1,198                  | 968             | 1,335 | 935                         | 891             | 1,115          |
| 1909..  | 1,014                  | 907                                 | 1,000                                  | 1,119                  | 978             | 1,088 | 911                         | 815             | 993            |
| 1910..  | 1,004                  | 1,052                               | 969                                    | 1,100                  | 999             | 1,008 | 996                         | 898             | 1,003          |
| 1911..  | 1,000                  | 1,000                               | 1,000                                  | 1,000                  | 1,000           | 1,000 | 1,000                       | 1,000           | 1,000          |
| 1912..  | 1,021                  | 991                                 | 1,370                                  | 1,206                  | 1,052           | 1,357 | 1,057                       | 978             | 1,170          |
| 1913..  | 1,046                  | 1,070                               | 1,097                                  | 1,054                  | 1,024           | 1,252 | 1,128                       | 995             | 1,088          |
| 1914..  | 1,099                  | 1,032                               | 1,207                                  | 1,137                  | 1,021           | 1,507 | 1,081                       | 1,253           | 1,149          |
| 1915..  | 1,284                  | 1,017                               | 2,162                                  | 1,530                  | 1,133           | 2,435 | 1,275                       | 1,528           | 1,604          |
| 1916..  | 1,695                  | 1,423                               | 1,208                                  | 1,485                  | 1,322           | 2,515 | 1,491                       | 1,760           | 1,504          |
| 1917..  | 2,129                  | 2,008                               | 1,157                                  | 1,423                  | 1,343           | 2,403 | 1,884                       | 2,171           | 1,662          |
| 1918..  | 2,416                  | 2,360                               | 1,444                                  | 1,454                  | 1,422           | 2,385 | 2,686                       | 3,225           | 1,934          |
| 1919..  | 2,125                  | 2,363                               | 1,985                                  | 1,651                  | 1,516           | 2,348 | 2,851                       | 2,898           | 2,058          |
| 1920..  | 2,298                  | 2,624                               | 2,439                                  | 2,209                  | 1,918           | 3,279 | 3,226                       | 2,825           | 2,480          |
| 1921..  | 2,173                  | 1,362                               | 1,767                                  | 2,000                  | 1,976           | 2,158 | 2,733                       | 2,303           | 1,903          |
| 1922..  | 1,942                  | 1,681                               | 1,628                                  | 1,648                  | 1,869           | 1,787 | 2,005                       | 1,965           | 1,758          |
| 1923..  | 1,826                  | 2,148                               | 1,778                                  | 1,837                  | 1,746           | 2,579 | 2,025                       | 1,933           | 1,944          |
| 1924..  | 1,835                  | 2,418                               | 1,647                                  | 1,655                  | 1,721           | 2,223 | 1,815                       | 1,806           | 1,885          |
| 1925..  | 1,852                  | 1,967                               | 1,797                                  | 1,636                  | 1,723           | 2,212 | 1,711                       | 1,790           | 1,844          |
| 1926..  | 1,938                  | 1,582                               | 2,001                                  | 1,784                  | 1,731           | 1,931 | 1,665                       | 1,816           | 1,832          |
| 1927..  | 1,962                  | 1,650                               | 1,826                                  | 1,823                  | 1,724           | 2,111 | 1,624                       | 1,866           | 1,817          |
| 1928..  | 1,912                  | 1,781                               | 1,726                                  | 1,751                  | 1,707           | 2,015 | 1,744                       | 1,923           | 1,792          |
| 1929..  | 1,912                  | 1,556                               | 1,792                                  | 1,853                  | 1,690           | 2,246 | 1,754                       | 1,942           | 1,803          |
| 1930..  | 1,866                  | 1,127                               | 1,484                                  | 1,624                  | 1,666           | 2,025 | 1,875                       | 1,982           | 1,596          |
| 1931..  | 1,826                  | 1,039                               | 1,121                                  | 1,399                  | 1,794           | 1,508 | 2,025                       | 2,166           | 1,428          |
| 1932..  | 1,736                  | 1,000                               | 1,230                                  | 1,303                  | 1,767           | 1,348 | 2,043                       | 2,127           | 1,411          |
| 1933..  | 1,713                  | 1,118                               | 1,175                                  | 1,195                  | 1,714           | 1,487 | 2,061                       | 2,106           | 1,409          |
| 1934..  | 1,660                  | 1,261                               | 1,288                                  | 1,274                  | 1,735           | 1,540 | 2,015                       | 2,018           | 1,471          |
| 1935..  | 1,602                  | 1,217                               | 1,344                                  | 1,325                  | 1,729           | 1,508 | 1,964                       | 1,996           | 1,469          |
| 1936..  | 1,566                  | 1,331                               | 1,480                                  | 1,351                  | 1,731           | 1,684 | 1,969                       | 1,997           | 1,543          |
| 1937..  | 1,772                  | 1,406                               | 1,604                                  | 1,451                  | 1,750           | 1,678 | 2,430                       | 2,006           | 1,656          |
| 1938..  | 1,746                  | 1,051                               | 1,789                                  | 1,549                  | 1,747           | 1,871 | 2,238                       | 2,059           | 1,662          |
| 1939..  | 1,758                  | 1,101                               | 1,820                                  | 1,557                  | 1,752           | 1,710 | 2,220                       | 2,075           | 1,665          |
| 1940..  | 1,854                  | 1,386                               | 1,568                                  | 1,567                  | 1,784           | 1,882 | 2,890                       | 2,298           | 1,717          |

NOTE.—The above index of wholesale prices was first computed in 1912 and relates chiefly to basic materials and foods weighted in accordance with consumption in the years immediately preceding that date. Neither the component items nor the weighting have been varied. Consequently the index is a measure of changes in wholesale price levels based on usages which have altered substantially since the period on which the weighting was determined. As such it is useful as an indication of long-term trends over the past 80 years which it covers, on the assumption that the relative importance of component items remained constant. But it no longer serves as a measure of price variations from month to month or from year to year of commodities weighted in accordance with present-day consumption. Reference to a description of the index published in the annual *Labour Report* will indicate that animal fodders preponderate in the "Agricultural Produce" group, while "Building Materials" include little besides imported timber. In other groups, some principal items have increased in consumption while others have decreased. Comparisons of wholesale price index-numbers over the past 10 years are shown in tables which follow.



## WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS.

## BASIC MATERIALS AND FOODSTUFFS.

Following a conference of Statisticians in 1930 an index has been computed from new data on prices and consumption. Both in contents and method of computation it differs from the Melbourne Index of Wholesale Prices. The price quotations have in the main been obtained directly from manufacturers and dealers, and, with a few important exceptions, from Melbourne sources. Apart from home-produced building materials, coal and one or two minor commodities, however, the price movements may be taken as representative of fluctuations in wholesale prices of basic materials in most Australian markets. The weighting system adopted is based on average annual consumption during the years 1928-29 to 1934-35 inclusive.

(Base : 1928-29 = 1,000.)

| Period.      | Metals<br>and<br>Coal. | Oils,<br>Fats<br>and<br>Waxes. | Tex-<br>tiles. | Chem-<br>icals. | Rubber<br>and<br>Hides. | Build-<br>ing<br>Ma-<br>terials. | Food-<br>stuffs<br>and<br>To-<br>bacco. | Goods<br>princi-<br>pally<br>Im-<br>ported. | Goods<br>princi-<br>pally<br>Home<br>Pro-<br>duced. | All<br>Groups. |
|--------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|---|---|---|----------------|
| 1928-29 ..   | 1,000                  | 1,000                          | 1,000          | 1,000           | 1,000                   | 1,000                            | 1,000                                   | 1,000                                       | 1,000   | 1,000          |
| 1932-33 ..   | 823                    | 1,022                          | 586            | 976             | 604                     | 1,000                            | 745                                     | 1,066                                       | 732   | 815            |
| 1933-34 ..   | 808                    | 794                            | 792            | 917             | 697                     | 991                              | 788                                     | 977   | 755   | 811            |
| 1934-35 ..   | 766                    | 842                            | 609            | 840             | 674                     | 981                              | 816                                     | 1,009                                       | 749   | 814            |
| 1935-36 ..   | 725                    | 895                            | 774            | 816             | 766                     | 981                              | 857                                     | 1,037                                       | 776   | 840            |
| 1936-37 ..   | 758                    | 925                            | 920            | 814             | 963                     | 1,044                            | 910                                     | 1,088                                       | 828   | 892            |
| 1937-38 ..   | 798                    | 951                            | 776            | 824             | 844                     | 1,098                            | 932                                     | 1,117                                       | 845   | 911            |
| 1938-39 ..   | 807                    | 944                            | 633            | 833             | 806                     | 1,024                            | 961                                     | 1,087                                       | 862   | 916            |
| 1939-40 ..   | 827                    | 1,083                          | 806            | 880             | 1,013                   | 1,144                            | 936                                     | 1,214                                       | 859   | 944            |
| 1937-38—     |                        |                                |                |                 |                         |                                  |   |   |   |                |
| July ..      | 787                    | 954                            | 982            | 815             | 1,015                   | 1,148                            | 964                                     | 1,154                                       | 872   | 941            |
| August ..    | 788                    | 955                            | 984            | 815             | 1,045                   | 1,155                            | 975                                     | 1,152                                       | 882   | 949            |
| September .. | 808                    | 954                            | 901            | 821             | 1,005                   | 1,154                            | 990                                     | 1,138                                       | 894   | 957            |
| October ..   | 799                    | 955                            | 841            | 821             | 965                     | 1,119                            | 969                                     | 1,129                                       | 875   | 936            |
| November ..  | 795                    | 953                            | 768            | 821             | 848                     | 1,099                            | 903                                     | 1,116                                       | 824   | 895            |
| December ..  | 792                    | 952                            | 785            | 823             | 866                     | 1,082                            | 876                                     | 1,111                                       | 805   | 879            |
| January ..   | 804                    | 952                            | 719            | 822             | 816                     | 1,085                            | 888                                     | 1,110                                       | 813   | 885            |
| February ..  | 800                    | 951                            | 696            | 831             | 744                     | 1,077                            | 896                                     | 1,104                                       | 817   | 886            |
| March ..     | 801                    | 949                            | 676            | 831             | 734                     | 1,071                            | 913                                     | 1,110                                       | 828   | 894            |
| April ..     | 801                    | 947                            | 662            | 831             | 714                     | 1,071                            | 933                                     | 1,099                                       | 841   | 903            |
| May ..       | 799                    | 946                            | 663            | 831             | 691                     | 1,059                            | 952                                     | 1,092                                       | 854   | 911            |
| June ..      | 797                    | 944                            | 635            | 831             | 684                     | 1,061                            | 986                                     | 1,094                                       | 875   | 928            |
| 1938-39—     |                        |                                |                |                 |                         |                                  |   |   |   |                |
| July ..      | 801                    | 945                            | 655            | 831             | 750                     | 1,019                            | 1,001                                   | 1,086                                       | 887   | 936            |
| August ..    | 802                    | 944                            | 648            | 831             | 772                     | 1,023                            | 1,027                                   | 1,107                                       | 899   | 949            |
| September .. | 803                    | 943                            | 624            | 831             | 772                     | 1,016                            | 990                                     | 1,096                                       | 876   | 929            |
| October ..   | 806                    | 943                            | 635            | 832             | 847                     | 1,028                            | 963                                     | 1,087                                       | 865   | 918            |
| November ..  | 806                    | 943                            | 643            | 832             | 840                     | 1,028                            | 916                                     | 1,084                                       | 833   | 893            |
| December ..  | 803                    | 942                            | 621            | 832             | 809                     | 1,028                            | 905                                     | 1,087                                       | 822   | 886            |
| January ..   | 811                    | 941                            | 624            | 833             | 821                     | 1,028                            | 936                                     | 1,105                                       | 840   | 903            |
| February ..  | 795                    | 944                            | 635            | 834             | 812                     | 1,028                            | 957                                     | 1,079                                       | 860   | 912            |
| March ..     | 814                    | 944                            | 624            | 835             | 819                     | 1,028                            | 1,017                                   | 1,077                                       | 906   | 947            |
| April ..     | 814                    | 945                            | 621            | 835             | 802                     | 1,022                            | 990                                     | 1,077                                       | 886   | 932            |
| May ..       | 814                    | 946                            | 625            | 835             | 809                     | 1,022                            | 915                                     | 1,081                                       | 834   | 893            |
| June ..      | 814                    | 947                            | 645            | 835             | 818                     | 1,013                            | 914                                     | 1,080                                       | 834   | 893            |
| 1939-40—     |                        |                                |                |                 |                         |                                  |   |   |   |                |
| July ..      | 815                    | 946                            | 663            | 835             | 805                     | 1,013                            | 904                                     | 1,077                                       | 828   | 888            |
| August ..    | 816                    | 944                            | 659            | 835             | 825                     | 1,013                            | 894                                     | 1,077                                       | 821   | 882            |
| September .. | 816                    | 948                            | 787            | 835             | 931                     | 1,098                            | 907                                     | 1,125                                       | 833   | 902            |
| October ..   | 816                    | 993                            | 850            | 835             | 986                     | 1,099                            | 934                                     | 1,157                                       | 852   | 925            |
| November ..  | 829                    | 1,039                          | 855            | 835             | 1,046                   | 1,134                            | 924                                     | 1,195                                       | 849   | 931            |
| December ..  | 829                    | 1,087                          | 842            | 839             | 1,085                   | 1,140                            | 920                                     | 1,231                                       | 844   | 937            |
| January ..   | 829                    | 1,096                          | 844            | 922             | 1,082                   | 1,139                            | 927                                     | 1,234                                       | 854   | 946            |
| February ..  | 830                    | 1,097                          | 816            | 923             | 1,098                   | 1,200                            | 935                                     | 1,249                                       | 861   | 955            |
| March ..     | 833                    | 1,140                          | 894            | 923             | 1,089                   | 1,201                            | 951                                     | 1,266                                       | 875   | 969            |
| April ..     | 849                    | 1,152                          | 843            | 924             | 1,063                   | 1,203                            | 971                                     | 1,275                                       | 891   | 985            |
| May ..       | 835                    | 1,274                          | 843            | 924             | 1,084                   | 1,201                            | 987                                     | 1,329                                       | 902   | 1,006          |
| June ..      | 835                    | 1,279                          | 838            | 924             | 1,062                   | 1,287                            | 974                                     | 1,352                                       | 894   | 1,006          |
| 1940-41—     |                        |                                |                |                 |                         |                                  |   |   |   |                |
| July ..      | 835                    | 1,280                          | 836            | 1,006           | 1,052                   | 1,287                            | 970                                     | 1,361                                       | 893   | 1,007          |
| August ..    | 835                    | 1,275                          | 825            | 1,014           | 1,050                   | 1,359                            | 986                                     | 1,373                                       | 907   | 1,020          |
| September .. | 835                    | 1,272                          | 838            | 1,014           | 1,051                   | 1,359                            | 993                                     | 1,363                                       | 912   | 1,023          |
| October ..   | 841                    | 1,282                          | 850            | 1,012           | 1,059                   | 1,359                            | 994                                     | 1,398                                       | 907   | 1,027          |
| November ..  | 841                    | 1,282                          | 848            | 1,019           | 1,112                   | 1,359                            | 962                                     | 1,392                                       | 889   | 1,011          |
| December ..  | 841                    | 1,286                          | 852            | 1,019           | 1,106                   | 1,359                            | 977                                     | 1,409                                       | 895   | 1,020          |

## PRIMARY PRODUCTION PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS.

The annual index-numbers in the following table have been recomputed to the base 1928-29 = 1,000 from the revised series published in *Production Bulletin* No. 33. They are based in general on prices realized in the principal markets of the Commonwealth.

The monthly index-numbers (based on the nearest equivalent wholesale quotations) are intended progressively to forecast the point which the annual index-numbers will eventually reach, and to provide a preliminary figure for the latest full year pending the completion of the annual census of production. The preliminary index-numbers will be revised as each production census is completed.

(Base : 1928-29 = 1,000.)

| Period.                  | Agriculture. | Pastoral. | Farmyard and Dairying. | All Farming. | Mining other than Gold.(a) | Gold. (a) | All Groups. |
|--------------------------|--------------|-----------|------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| 1928-29 .. ..            | 1,000        | 1,000     | 1,000                  | 1,000        | 1,000                      | 1,000     | 1,000       |
| 1932-33 .. ..            | 679          | 538       | 610                    | 597          | 686                        | 1,718     | 618         |
| 1933-34 .. ..            | 675          | 801       | 599                    | 722          | 684                        | 1,817     | 731         |
| 1934-35 .. ..            | 749          | 596       | 646                    | 655          | 689                        | 2,002     | 674         |
| 1935-36 .. ..            | 803          | 767       | 711                    | 768          | 735                        | 2,062     | 781         |
| 1936-37 .. ..            | 950          | 857       | 761                    | 870          | 795                        | 2,039     | 877         |
| 1937-38 .. ..            | 850          | 789       | 829                    | 817          | 879                        | 2,045     | 836         |
| 1938-39 .. ..            | 770          | 681       | 868                    | 745          | 756                        | 2,075     | 761         |
| 1939-40 .. ..            | 767          | 737       | 832                    | 764          | 802                        | 2,289     | 788         |
| 1939-40—                 |              |           |                        |              |                            |           |             |
| July .. ..               | 708          | 633       | 846                    | 697          | 797                        | 2,176     | 724         |
| August .. ..             | 697          | 622       | 848                    | 689          | 808                        | 2,241     | 720         |
| September .. ..          | 735          | 697       | 828                    | 734          | 827                        | 2,484     | 767         |
| October .. ..            | 780          | 735       | 832                    | 768          | 838                        | 2,484     | 797         |
| November .. ..           | 731          | 742       | 832                    | 755          | 840                        | 2,495     | 787         |
| December .. ..           | 716          | 746       | 832                    | 752          | 838                        | 2,501     | 784         |
| January .. ..            | 797          | 748       | 831                    | 779          | 864                        | 2,504     | 809         |
| February .. ..           | 779          | 764       | 826                    | 780          | 882                        | 2,509     | 812         |
| March .. ..              | 794          | 776       | 826                    | 791          | 891                        | 2,510     | 822         |
| April .. ..              | 827          | 784       | 826                    | 805          | 893                        | 2,510     | 834         |
| May .. ..                | 821          | 805       | 826                    | 814          | 893                        | 2,510     | 842         |
| June .. ..               | 819          | 795       | 826                    | 809          | 895                        | 2,507     | 837         |
| 1940-41—                 |              |           |                        |              |                            |           |             |
| July .. ..               | 819          | 801       | 824                    | 811          | 894                        | 2,484     | 837         |
| August .. ..             | 826          | 817       | 826                    | 822          | 896                        | 2,501     | 848         |
| September .. ..          | 847          | 814       | 826                    | 827          | 897                        | 2,510     | 853         |
| October .. ..            | 840          | 813       | 826                    | 824          | 897                        | 2,519     | 850         |
| November .. ..           | 847          | 778       | 826                    | 810          | 916                        | 2,519     | 841         |
| December .. ..           | 851          | 786       | 823                    | 814          | 915                        | 2,519     | 844         |
| 1st 6 months, 1939-40 .. | 728          | 696       | 837                    | 733          | 825                        | 2,397     | 763         |
| 1st 6 months, 1940-41 .. | 838          | 802       | 825                    | 818          | 903                        | 2,509     | 846         |

(a) Year ended December previous.

## EXPORT PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS.

These index-numbers are compiled from the prices of 20 commodities which constitute about 85 per cent. of all exports. The prices are multiplied by the average quantities exported during a fairly recent and representative period.

(Base : 1928-29 = 1,000.)

| Year.   | Excluding Gold. | Including Gold. | Month.    | 1938-39.        |                 | 1939-40.        |                 | 1940-41.        |                 |
|---------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|         |                 |                 |           | Excluding Gold. | Including Gold. | Excluding Gold. | Including Gold. | Excluding Gold. | Including Gold. |
| 1928-29 | 1,000           | 1,000           | July      | 744             | 769             | 679             | 712             | 848             | 882             |
| 1929-30 | 812             | 817             | August    | 716             | 743             | 674             | 707             | 844             | 879             |
| 1930-31 | 608             | 620             | September | 685             | 716             | 765             | 803             | 846             | 881             |
| 1931-32 | 593             | 612             | October   | 693             | 723             | 796             | 833             | 847             | 882             |
| 1932-33 | 579             | 601             | November  | 679             | 711             | 799             | 835             | 847             | 883             |
| 1933-34 | 796             | 764             | December  | 668             | 701             | 807             | 843             | 847             | 882             |
| 1934-35 | 615             | 642             | January   | 676             | 707             | 844             | 879             | ..              | ..              |
| 1935-36 | 782             | 806             | February  | 674             | 705             | 844             | 879             | ..              | ..              |
| 1936-37 | 959             | 975             | March     | 655             | 688             | 846             | 881             | ..              | ..              |
| 1937-38 | 850             | 871             | April     | 650             | 683             | 847             | 882             | ..              | ..              |
| 1938-39 | 681             | 711             | May       | 649             | 683             | 848             | 883             | ..              | ..              |
| 1939-40 | 800             | 835             | June      | 669             | 702             | 849             | 884             | ..              | ..              |

NOTE.—While the above index-numbers indicate satisfactorily the general trend of the market, they take no account of the relative quantities actually sold at the different prices ruling in each month and consequently do not give an adequate indication of the significance of the price movements as they actually affected current sales. This is shown more accurately by the Export Price Index (Changing Base), published in the *Monthly Review of Business Statistics* and in the computation of which the "quantity-multipliers" are changed each month.

## COMPARATIVE INDEX-NUMBERS FOR THE SIX CAPITAL CITIES COMBINED.

† (Base: Weighted Average of Six Capitals, 1911 = 1,000.)

| Period.      | Food and Groceries. | Housing (4 and 5 Rooms). | Food Groceries and Housing (4 and 5 Rooms). "B" Series. | All Items of Household Expenditure. "C" Series. | Wholesale Prices, Melbourne. (d) | Nominal Wages, Adult Males. | Real Wages. (a) | Percentage of Unemployment among Trade Unionists. |
|--------------|---------------------|--------------------------|---|---|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|---|
| Year—        |                     |                          |   |   |                                  |                             |                 |   |
| 1911 .. ..   | 1,000               | 1,000                    | 1,000   | (b) 1,000                                       | 1,000                            | 1,000                       | (b) 1,000       | 4.7   |
| 1914 .. ..   | 1,144               | 1,082                    | 1,121   | 1,140   | 1,149                            | 1,081                       | 948             | 8.3   |
| 1921 .. ..   | 1,902               | 1,410                    | 1,717   | 1,680   | 1,903                            | 1,826                       | 1,087           | 11.2  |
| 1928 .. ..   | 1,761               | 1,743                    | 1,755   | 1,675   | 1,792                            | 1,963                       | 1,172           | 10.8  |
| 1935 .. ..   | 1,442               | 1,372                    | 1,416   | 1,380   | 1,469                            | 1,612                       | 1,169           | 16.5  |
| 1936 .. ..   | 1,475               | 1,437                    | 1,461   | 1,409   | 1,543                            | 1,638                       | 1,162           | 12.2  |
| 1937 .. ..   | 1,521               | 1,488                    | 1,510   | 1,448   | 1,656                            | 1,707                       | 1,178           | 9.3   |
| 1938 .. ..   | 1,584               | 1,540                    | 1,568   | 1,488   | 1,662                            | 1,799                       | 1,209           | 8.7   |
| 1939 .. ..   | 1,657               | 1,577                    | 1,628   | 1,526   | 1,665                            | 1,846                       | 1,211           | 9.8   |
| 1940 .. ..   | 1,679               | 1,590                    | 1,644   | 1,588   | 1,717                            | ..                          | ..              | 8.0   |
| Quarter—     |                     |                          |   |   |                                  |                             |                 |   |
| 1930.        |                     |                          |   |   |                                  |                             |                 |   |
| June .. ..   | 1,734               | 1,744                    | 1,738   | 1,653   | 1,667                            | 1,956                       | 1,183           | 18.5  |
| September .. | 1,673               | 1,692                    | 1,680   | 1,607   | 1,599                            | 1,939                       | 1,207           | 20.5  |
| December ..  | 1,568               | 1,625                    | 1,590   | 1,542   | 1,438                            | 1,887                       | 1,224           | 23.4  |
| 1931.        |                     |                          |   |   |                                  |                             |                 |   |
| March .. ..  | 1,538               | 1,560                    | 1,546   | 1,500   | 1,453                            | 1,814                       | 1,209           | 25.8  |
| June .. ..   | 1,496               | 1,501                    | 1,498   | 1,464   | 1,437                            | 1,764                       | 1,205           | 27.6  |
| September .. | 1,435               | 1,447                    | 1,439   | 1,423   | 1,406                            | 1,735                       | 1,219           | 28.3  |
| December ..  | 1,439               | 1,382                    | 1,418   | 1,406   | 1,418                            | 1,694                       | 1,205           | 28.0  |
| 1932.        |                     |                          |   |   |                                  |                             |                 |   |
| March .. ..  | 1,465               | 1,358                    | 1,425   | 1,403   | 1,434                            | 1,680                       | 1,197           | 28.3  |
| June .. ..   | 1,448               | 1,345                    | 1,409   | 1,389   | 1,410                            | 1,672                       | 1,204           | 30.0  |
| September .. | 1,416               | 1,327                    | 1,382   | 1,370   | 1,418                            | 1,608                       | 1,174           | 29.6  |
| December ..  | 1,369               | 1,314                    | 1,348   | 1,346   | 1,384                            | 1,597                       | 1,186           | 28.1  |
| 1933.        |                     |                          |   |   |                                  |                             |                 |   |
| March .. ..  | 1,317               | 1,318                    | 1,318   | 1,327   | 1,336                            | 1,585                       | 1,194           | 26.5  |
| June .. ..   | 1,337               | 1,314                    | 1,329   | 1,334   | 1,401                            | 1,595                       | 1,196           | 25.7  |
| September .. | 1,359               | 1,311                    | 1,341   | 1,340   | 1,467                            | 1,587                       | 1,184           | 25.1  |
| December ..  | 1,355               | 1,311                    | 1,339   | 1,337   | 1,432                            | 1,570                       | 1,174           | 23.0  |
| 1934.        |                     |                          |   |   |                                  |                             |                 |   |
| March .. ..  | 1,371               | 1,315                    | 1,350   | 1,344   | 1,456                            | 1,572                       | 1,170           | 21.9  |
| June .. ..   | 1,404               | 1,319                    | 1,372   | 1,358   | 1,463                            | 1,592                       | 1,172           | 20.9  |
| September .. | 1,401               | 1,331                    | 1,375   | 1,357   | 1,492                            | 1,596                       | 1,176           | 20.4  |
| December ..  | 1,422               | 1,332                    | 1,388   | 1,361   | 1,474                            | 1,599                       | 1,175           | 18.8  |
| 1935.        |                     |                          |   |   |                                  |                             |                 |   |
| March .. ..  | 1,420               | 1,356                    | 1,396   | 1,368   | 1,451                            | 1,607                       | 1,175           | 18.6  |
| June .. ..   | 1,425               | 1,363                    | 1,402   | 1,371   | 1,456                            | 1,609                       | 1,174           | 17.8  |
| September .. | 1,461               | 1,379                    | 1,430   | 1,389   | 1,491                            | 1,613                       | 1,161           | 15.9  |
| December ..  | 1,460               | 1,390                    | 1,434   | 1,391   | 1,479                            | 1,620                       | 1,165           | 13.7  |
| 1936.        |                     |                          |   |   |                                  |                             |                 |   |
| March .. ..  | 1,445               | 1,413                    | 1,433   | 1,391   | 1,475                            | 1,623                       | 1,167           | 13.4  |
| June .. ..   | 1,455               | 1,425                    | 1,444   | 1,397   | 1,520                            | 1,629                       | 1,166           | 12.8  |
| September .. | 1,489               | 1,449                    | 1,474   | 1,420   | 1,570                            | 1,641                       | 1,156           | 12.0  |
| December ..  | 1,510               | 1,461                    | 1,491   | 1,430   | 1,607                            | 1,659                       | 1,160           | 10.7  |
| 1937.        |                     |                          |   |   |                                  |                             |                 |   |
| March .. ..  | 1,510               | 1,470                    | 1,495   | 1,433   | 1,638                            | 1,662                       | 1,160           | 9.9   |
| June .. ..   | 1,507               | 1,483                    | 1,498   | 1,441   | 1,660                            | 1,680                       | 1,166           | 9.7   |
| September .. | 1,526               | 1,499                    | 1,516   | 1,454   | 1,710                            | 1,721                       | 1,184           | 9.3   |
| December ..  | 1,540               | 1,510                    | 1,529   | 1,465   | 1,617                            | 1,763                       | 1,203           | 8.2   |
| 1938.        |                     |                          |   |   |                                  |                             |                 |   |
| March .. ..  | 1,540               | 1,521                    | 1,534   | 1,467   | 1,600                            | 1,778                       | 1,212           | 8.0   |
| June .. ..   | 1,572               | 1,534                    | 1,558   | 1,482   | 1,642                            | 1,787                       | 1,206           | 8.6   |
| September .. | 1,616               | 1,547                    | 1,589   | 1,500   | 1,706                            | 1,806                       | 1,204           | 9.2   |
| December ..  | 1,608               | 1,559                    | 1,589   | 1,501   | 1,701                            | 1,823                       | 1,215           | 8.9   |
| 1939.        |                     |                          |   |   |                                  |                             |                 |   |
| March .. ..  | 1,673               | 1,568                    | 1,631   | 1,524   | 1,723                            | 1,826                       | 1,198           | 9.6   |
| June .. ..   | 1,654               | 1,575                    | 1,623   | 1,522   | 1,638                            | 1,847                       | 1,214           | 9.5   |
| September .. | 1,645               | 1,582                    | 1,620   | 1,520   | 1,621                            | 1,854                       | 1,220           | 10.2  |
| December ..  | 1,657               | 1,584                    | 1,628   | 1,536   | 1,679                            | 1,858                       | 1,210           | 9.3   |
| 1940.        |                     |                          |   |   |                                  |                             |                 |   |
| March .. ..  | 1,640               | 1,587                    | 1,620   | 1,542   | 1,663                            | 1,864                       | 1,209           | 7.9   |
| June .. ..   | 1,688               | 1,589                    | 1,649   | 1,583   | 1,704                            | 1,875                       | 1,184           | 10.5  |
| September .. | 1,676               | 1,591                    | 1,642   | 1,590   | 1,732                            | 1,903                       | 1,197           | 7.4   |
| December ..  | 1,710               | 1,593                    | 1,663   | 1,635   | 1,770                            | ..                          | ..              | 6.2   |

(a) Allowing for variations in retail prices since 1911. Calculated by "All Items" ("C" Series) Index.

(b) Taken back from true base (November, 1914 = 1,000) by means of the Food and Rent (All Houses) Index.

† The index-numbers given in the separate columns of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show, for example, the relative cost of housing, and food and groceries, since the cost in 1911 in each group or combination of groups is made equal to 1,000.

(d) See note on page 71.



## STATISTICAL SUMMARY—AUSTRALIA.

| Heading.  |               | Years.      |             |             |             |             |               |             |
|---|---------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|
|   |               | 1881.       | 1891.       | 1901.       | 1911.       | 1921.       | 1931.         | 1939.       |
| Population(a)   | Males         | 1,247,059   | 1,736,617   | 2,004,836   | 2,382,232   | 2,799,462   | 3,332,577     | 3,534,813   |
|   | Females       | 1,059,677   | 1,504,368   | 1,820,077   | 2,191,554   | 2,711,532   | 3,220,029     | 3,462,513   |
|   | Persons       | 2,306,736   | 3,240,985   | 3,824,913   | 4,573,786   | 5,510,994   | 6,552,606     | 6,997,326   |
| Births  | No.           | 80,004      | 110,187     | 102,945     | 122,193     | 136,198     | 118,509       | 122,891     |
|   | Rate          | 35.26       | 34.47       | 27.16       | 27.21       | 24.95       | 18.16         | 17.65       |
| Deaths  | No.           | 33,327      | 47,430      | 46,330      | 47,869      | 54,076      | 56,560        | 69,147      |
|   | Rate          | 14.69       | 14.84       | 12.22       | 10.66       | 9.91        | 8.67          | 9.93        |
| Marriages   | No.           | 17,244      | 23,862      | 27,753      | 39,482      | 46,869      | 38,882        | 64,249      |
|   | Rate          | 7.60        | 7.47        | 7.32        | 8.79        | 8.59        | 5.96          | 9.23        |
|   |               | 1881-82.    | 1891-92.    | 1901-02.    | 1911-12.    | 1921-22.    | 1931-32.      | 1938-39.    |
| Agriculture—  |               |             |             |             |             |             |               |             |
| Wheat   | Area, acs.    | 2,995,814   | 3,334,957   | 5,115,965   | 7,427,834   | 9,719,042   | 14,741,313    | 14,346,380  |
|   | Yld., bshl.   | 21,443,862  | 25,675,265  | 38,561,619  | 71,636,347  | 129,088,806 | 190,612,188   | 155,368,621 |
| Oats  | Area, acs.    | 194,816     | 246,129     | 461,430     | 616,794     | 733,406     | 1,085,489     | 1,784,205   |
|   | Yld., bshl.   | 4,795,897   | 5,726,256   | 9,789,854   | 9,561,833   | 12,147,433  | 15,194,680    | 15,554,735  |
| Barley  | Area, acs.    | 75,864      | 68,068      | 74,511      | 116,466     | 298,910     | 342,896       | 744,737     |
|   | Yld., bshl.   | 1,353,880   | 1,178,560   | 1,519,819   | 2,056,836   | 6,085,685   | 6,290,672     | 10,830,714  |
| Maize   | Area, acs.    | 165,777     | 284,428     | 294,849     | 340,065     | 305,186     | 269,448       | 324,146     |
|   | Yld., bshl.   | 5,726,266   | 9,261,922   | 7,034,786   | 8,939,855   | 7,840,438   | 7,062,383     | 7,056,642   |
| Hay   | Area, acs.    | 768,388     | 942,166     | 1,688,402   | 2,518,351   | 2,994,519   | 2,634,680     | 3,250,260   |
|   | Yld., tons    | 767,194     | 1,067,255   | 2,024,608   | 2,867,973   | 3,902,189   | 3,167,459     | 3,321,161   |
| Potatoes(b)   | Area, acs.    | 1.00        | 1.13        | 1.20        | 1.14        | 1.30        | 1.20          | 1.02        |
|   | Yld., tons    | 76,265      | 112,884     | 109,685     | 130,463     | 149,144     | 145,111       | 98,048      |
| Sugar-cane  | Area, acs.    | 243,216     | 380,477     | 322,524     | 301,489     | 388,091     | 397,102       | 274,441     |
|   | Yld., tons    | 3.19        | 3.37        | 2.94        | 2.31        | 2.60        | 2.74          | 2.80        |
| Vineyards   | Area, acs.    | 19,708      | 45,444      | 86,950      | 101,010     | 128,350     | 241,576       | 262,305     |
|   | Yld., tons    | 349,627     | 737,573     | 1,367,802   | 1,682,250   | 2,436,890   | 4,213,453     | 5,678,894   |
| Total gross value of agricultural production          | £             | 1,438,060   | 3,437,598   | 5,262,447   | 4,975,147   | 8,542,573   | 14,190,522    | 14,957,537  |
| Pastoral, dairying, &c.—                              |               |             |             |             |             |             |               |             |
| Live Stock  | Sheep No.     | 65,092,719  | 106,421,068 | 72,040,211  | 96,886,234  | 86,119,068  | 110,618,893   | 111,057,832 |
|   | Cattle        | 8,010,991   | 11,112,112  | 8,491,428   | 11,828,954  | 14,441,309  | 12,260,955    | 12,801,781  |
| (a)   | Horses        | 1,088,029   | 1,584,737   | 1,620,420   | 2,278,226   | 2,438,182   | 1,775,550     | 1,724,056   |
|   | Pigs          | 703,188     | 845,888     | 931,309     | 1,110,721   | 960,385     | 1,167,845     | 1,155,591   |
| Wool prodn., lb. (greasy)                             | lb.           | 319,649,000 | 634,046,000 | 539,395,000 | 798,391,000 | 723,059,000 | 1,007,455,847 | 983,581,974 |
|   | lb.           | (e)         | 42,314,585  | 103,747,295 | 212,073,745 | 267,071,340 | 390,654,070   | 455,834,329 |
| Cheese production                                     | d.            | (e)         | 10,130,945  | 11,845,153  | 15,886,712  | 32,653,003  | 31,422,973    | 65,645,989  |
|   | Bacon and ham | (e)         | 16,771,886  | 34,020,629  | 53,335,092  | 58,626,469  | 71,121,740    | 74,453,963  |
| Total gross value of pastoral and dairying production |               | £           | 29,538,000  | 39,256,000  | 36,890,000  | 72,883,000  | 119,399,000   | 145,299,000 |
|   |               | 1881.       | 1891.       | 1901.       | 1911.       | 1921.       | 1931.         | 1938.       |
| Mineral production—                                   |               |             |             |             |             |             |               |             |
| Gold  | £             | 5,194,390   | 5,281,861   | 14,017,538  | 10,551,624  | 4,018,685   | 3,563,519     | 14,026,615  |
|   | £             | 45,622      | 3,736,352   | 2,248,598   | 3,022,177   | 1,539,992   | 1,443,897     | 4,745,046   |
| Silver and Lead                                       | £             | 714,003     | 367,373     | 2,215,431   | 2,564,278   | 808,957     | 567,558       | 893,080     |
|   | £             | 1,145,889   | 560,502     | 448,234     | 1,209,973   | 418,418     | 216,205       | 711,628     |
| Copper  | £             | 200         | 2,979       | 4,067       | 1,415,169   | 283,455     | 512,795       | 1,96,905    |
|   | £             | 637,865     | 1,912,353   | 2,602,733   | 3,927,360   | 11,014,831  | 6,855,246     | 7,539,622   |
| Zinc  | £             |             |             |             |             |             |               |             |
|   | £             |             |             |             |             |             |               |             |
| Total value of all mineral production                 |               | £           | 7,820,290   | 12,074,106  | 21,816,772  | 23,302,878  | 19,997,384    | 13,352,316  |
| Forestry production—                                  |               |             |             |             |             |             |               |             |
| Quantity of local timber                              |               |             |             |             |             |             |               |             |
|   |               |             |             |             |             |             |               |             |
| sawn or hewn—   |               |             |             |             |             |             |               |             |
|   |               |             |             |             |             |             |               |             |
| 1,000 sup. ft.  | (e)           | (e)         | 452,181     | 604,794     | 590,495     | 236,707     | 717,015       |             |
| Factories—  |               |             |             |             |             |             |               |             |
| No. of factories                                      | No.           |             |             |             | 14,455      | 18,023      | 21,657        | 26,941      |
|   | No.           |             |             |             | 311,710     | 378,540     | 336,658       | 565,106     |
| Wages paid  | £             |             |             |             | 27,528,377  | 68,050,861  | 55,931,818    | 106,743,062 |
|   | £             |             |             |             | 51,259,004  | 121,674,119 | 110,981,830   | 203,416,610 |
| Value of production                                   | £             |             |             |             | 133,022,090 | 320,331,765 | 281,645,785   | 500,419,977 |
|   | £             |             |             |             |             |             |               |             |

(a) At 31st December. (b) Partly estimated for 1881. (c) Area of productive cane. (d) Years ended December, except for last two columns which refer to years ended June. (e) Information not available. (f) Owing to variation in classification, and lack of information, effective comparison is impossible.

## STATISTICAL SUMMARY, AUSTRALIA—continued.

| Heading.                                    | Years.             |                    |                    |                    |                    |                     |                         |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
|   | 1881.              | 1891.              | 1901.              | 1911.              | 1921-22.           | 1931-32.            | 1939-40.                |
| Shipping—                                   |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                     |                         |
| Oversea vessels { No. ent. & cleared tons   | 3,284<br>2,549,364 | 3,778<br>4,726,307 | 4,028<br>6,541,991 | 4,174<br>9,984,801 | 3,111<br>9,081,278 | 3,057<br>11,395,784 | a 3,814<br>a 13,545,712 |
| Commerce—                                   |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                     |                         |
| Imports, oversea £                          | 29,067,000         | 37,711,000         | 42,434,000         | 66,967,488         | 103,066,436        | 44,712,868          | b 115,675,505           |
| " per head £                                | 12/16/2            | 11/16/0            | 11/3/11            | 14/18/2            | 18/14/1            | 6/16/6              | 16/10/8                 |
| Exports, oversea £                          | 27,528,000         | 36,043,000         | 49,696,000         | 79,482,258         | 127,846,535        | c 85,842,887        | bc 118,762,122          |
| " per head £                                | 12/2/8             | 11/5/6             | 13/2/2             | 17/13/10           | 23/4/1             | 13/1/11             | 16/19/6                 |
| Total oversea trade £                       | 56,595,000         | 73,754,000         | 92,130,000         | 146,449,746        | 230,912,971        | 130,555,755         | b 234,437,627           |
| " per head £                                | 24/18/10           | 23/1/6             | 24/6/1             | 32/12/0            | 41/18/2            | 19/18/5             | 33/10/2                 |
| Customs and Excise duties .. £              | 4,809,326          | 7,440,869          | 8,656,530          | 13,515,005         | 27,565,199         | 28,524,996          | 53,733,096              |
| " per head £                                | 2/2/5              | 2/6/7              | 2/5/8              | 2/19/2             | 5/0/1              | 4/7/1               | 7/13/7                  |
| Principal Oversea Exports (d)—              |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                     |                         |
| Wool .. { lb. (greasy) £                    | 328,369,200        | 619,259,800        | 518,018,100        | 720,364,900        | 927,833,700        | 893,644,148         | (e)                     |
| " .. { cental £                             | 13,173,028         | 19,940,029         | 15,237,454         | 26,071,193         | 47,977,044         | 32,102,246          | 56,958,877              |
| Wheat .. { £                                | 3,218,792          | 5,876,875          | 12,156,035         | 33,088,704         | 59,968,334         | 76,440,603          | (e)                     |
| " .. { tons £                               | 1,189,762          | 1,938,864          | 2,774,643          | 9,641,608          | 24,644,155         | 19,220,203          | 7,557,370               |
| Flour .. { £                                | 49,549             | 33,363             | 96,814             | 175,891            | 359,734            | 610,858             | (e)                     |
| Butter .. { lb. £                           | 519,635            | 323,423            | 589,604            | 1,391,529          | 5,619,881          | 3,833,237           | 5,231,485               |
| " .. { £                                    | 1,298,800          | 4,239,500          | 34,607,400         | 101,722,100        | 127,347,400        | 201,639,404         | (e)                     |
| Hides and skins £                           | 39,383             | 206,868            | 1,451,168          | 4,637,362          | 7,968,078          | 10,250,002          | 15,894,718              |
| Tallow .. £                                 | 316,878            | 873,695            | 1,250,938          | 3,227,236          | 3,136,810          | 2,315,594           | 4,157,709               |
| Meats .. £                                  | 644,149            | 571,069            | 677,745            | 1,985,836          | 1,441,795          | 881,415             | 847,973                 |
| Timber (undressed) £                        | 362,965            | 460,894            | 2,611,244          | 4,803,159          | 5,542,102          | 6,370,012           | 15,109,128              |
| Gold .. £                                   | 118,117            | 38,448             | 731,301            | 1,023,960          | 1,158,166          | 432,595             | 490,161                 |
| Silver and lead £                           | 6,445,365          | 5,703,532          | 14,315,741         | 12,045,766         | 3,483,239          | 12,694,786          | (e)                     |
| Copper .. £                                 | 57,954             | 1,932,278          | 2,250,253          | 3,212,554          | 2,697,130          | 2,902,056           | (e)                     |
| Coal .. £                                   | 676,515            | 417,687            | 1,619,145          | 2,345,961          | 705,358            | 472,468             | (e)                     |
|   | 361,081            | 645,972            | 986,957            | 900,622            | 1,099,899          | 341,800             | 251,055                 |
| Govt. Railways—                             |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                     |                         |
| Lgh. of line open, mls.                     | 3,832              | 9,541              | 12,579             | 16,078             | 23,502             | 26,959              | 27,250                  |
| Capital cost .. £                           | 42,741,350         | 99,764,090         | 123,223,779        | 152,194,603        | 244,353,233        | 323,365,450         | 319,616,853             |
| Gross revenue £                             | 3,910,122          | 8,654,085          | 11,033,468         | 17,847,837         | 38,194,630         | 37,579,965          | 46,588,136              |
| Working expenses £                          | 2,141,735          | 5,630,182          | 7,133,617          | 10,945,727         | 29,817,970         | 28,141,984          | 36,368,089              |
| Per cent. of working expenses on earnings % | 54.77              | 65.06              | 64.63              | 61.33              | 78.07              | 74.88               | 78.06                   |
| Postal—                                     |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                     |                         |
| Letters and post-cards dealt with No.       | 67,640,000         | 157,297,000        | 220,853,000        | 453,063,000        | 561,973,105        | f 731,134,500       | a 903,089,600           |
| " per head ..                               | 29.61              | 49.07              | 58.26              | 100.90             | 102.01             | 111.62              | a 130.37                |
| Newspapers dealt with No.                   | 38,063,000         | 85,230,000         | 102,727,000        | 141,638,000        | 140,477,184        | 139,502,100         | a 165,361,700           |
| " per head ..                               | 16.66              | 26.61              | 27.10              | 31.54              | 25.50              | 21.30               | 23.87                   |
| Cheque-paying Banks(g)—                     |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                     |                         |
| Note circulation £                          | 3,978,711          | 4,417,269          | 3,399,462          | 3,718,458          | (h) 213,868        | 197,121             | i 174,708               |
| Coin and bullion held £                     | 9,108,243          | 16,712,923         | 19,780,528         | 33,470,770         | 21,626,832         | 2,882,026           | i 3,859,506             |
| Advances .. £                               | 57,732,824         | 129,741,583        | 86,352,832         | 108,578,774        | 193,435,760        | 260,917,515         | i 336,304,967           |
| Deposits .. £                               | 53,849,455         | 98,345,338         | 91,487,148         | 143,446,910        | j 273,866,737      | k 319,241,333       | i 448,732,288           |
| Savings Banks (l)—                          |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                     |                         |
| Total deposits £                            | 7,854,480          | 15,536,592         | 30,882,645         | 59,393,682         | 154,396,051        | 197,966,308         | m 244,283,810           |
| Aver. per head of population £              | 3/10/5             | 4/18/7             | 8/3/0              | 13/8/5             | 28/0/4             | 30/1/11             | 34/13/0                 |
| State Schools—                              |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                     |                         |
| Number of Schools ..                        | 4,494              | 6,231              | 7,012              | 8,060              | 9,445              | 10,097              | 10,029                  |
| Teachers .. No.                             | 9,028              | 12,564             | 14,500             | 16,971             | 26,120             | 33,762              | 30,994                  |
| Enrolment ..                                | 432,320            | 561,153            | 638,478            | 638,850            | 819,042            | 936,901             | 934,990                 |
| Aver. attendance ..                         | 255,143            | 350,773            | 450,246            | 463,799            | 666,498            | 817,262             | 757,669                 |

(a) 1938-39 figures. (b) Merchandise only. (c) British currency values. The recorded values were: Exports, 1931-32, £A109,034,065; and 1939-40, £A148,749,558 *vide* page 18. (d) Australian produce, except gold, which includes re-exports. (e) Not available for publication. (f) Includes packets. (g) Figures for the first three years are averages for the December quarter; the remainder for the June quarter. (h) Decrease due to prohibition of re-issue. (i) Quarter ended December, 1940. (j) Includes Commonwealth Savings Bank Deposits. (k) Government "Set-off" accounts, Interstate (Commonwealth Bank) excluded. (l) First three years at 31st December; remainder, 30th June. (m) At 31st December, 1940.

